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# 'Another blow for southern bypass'

PLANS for a long-awaited £25 million southern bypass for Ely have been dealt another severe blow, Liberal Democrats claim.

Lib Dem councillors on the Tory-run East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) say the plug on the project has officially been pulled.

The claim comes after the Government's decision to scrap the Transport Innovation Fund (TIF), which could have seen £500 million invested in Cambridgeshire.

Lib Dems say ECDC had hoped some of that cash would be used to pay for the new bypass, as well as extra train services from Ely to Cambridge and a network of cycle routes.

But now it has been axed, they claim so have the bypass proposals.

Cllr Nigel Bell, a member of the East Cambridgeshire Traffic Management Area Joint Committee, said: "This is yet another nail in the coffin for the southern bypass and councillors must be allowed to examine more realistic and practical ways to improve the traffic flow at the level crossing in Ely.

BY JORDAN DAY

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"The Tories hoped the TIF money would pay for the essential transport projects required by the massive housing growth in and around Cambridge and that this might help funding for the Ely bypass.

"Now, with a complete lack of any potential funding for the southern bypass scheme, we have to question the whole viability of the Ely Masterplan.

"A project to bring an extra 4,000 plus homes to the city without proper transport improvements is a recipe for crippling congestion."

In a bid to relieve congestion in Ely and surrounding villages, transport officials want to eventually build a southern link road around the city.

By including it in the Masterplan for Ely's growth over the next 20 years, they hope to also improve the A142 and transport links to the railway station.

The favoured scheme is for the bypass to come off the A142 near Angel Drove and re-join the A142 at Stuntney Causeway, relieving traffic at the railway station and the Tesco area.

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**Hoops of fun: King's School Ely scholar Jonathan East pushes along his trundle by the south door of Ely Cathedral as part of the traditional races, which commemorate the re-founding of the school by Henry VIII in 1541. The King's and Queen's Scholars, dressed in their scarlet gowns, ran races in the cathedral precinct while bowling the traditional wooden hoops. See full story and more pictures – Page 2.**

Picture: David Johnson 632389.

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## Magical tales from Arabia

FAMILIES will be descending on The Maltings for a fun-filled theatrical event on Mothering Sunday.
ADeC Family Theatre will host *Theatre of Widdershins: Arabian Nights,* and last minute tickets are still available.
Featuring genies, camels and flying carpets in the form of puppets, masks, storytellers and atmospheric music, the event promises to entertain people of all ages.
It starts at 3pm and tickets are £6 each or £20 for families.
For tickets, call the ADeC box office on (01353) 616991.

## Looking back for tower talk

PAUL Pattison will be the guest speaker at the Ely and District Archaeological Society's next talk.
The event will be held next Monday and is called 'Recreating the 12th century in the Great Tower of Dover Castle'.
Talks are held at the Methodist Church on Chapel Street at 8pm.
Admission is £2 for visitors and free for members.

## Club games for charity

ELY Netball Club will be raising money for Sport Relief on Thursday, March 18.
The club will hold a bumper netball tournament at Littleport Leisure Centre.
People of all ages and abilities are being invited to take part.
The tournament starts at 7.30pm.
For more information, call Victoria on (01353) 662332.

## Fuel taken from tank

A LORRY was targeted by thieves while it was parked in Ely.
The HGV was in West Fen Road when offenders siphoned diesel from the tank.
The incident happened at 3.15am on March 3.
Call police on 0345 4564564 with any information.

## Papers as study tools

MIKE Petty will lead this week's Fenland History on Friday talks.
The event, entitled 'Cambridgeshire newspapers and the local researcher' will run from 10.30am-noon.
The meetings are held at Ely Library on Fridays.
Entry is £2.50 on the door.

Victory: for Jonathan East and Rosie White, above. Right, a Queens School pupil in action.

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Trundling along: the Kings, above, and Queens, below, Scholars take part in the heats. Pictures: David Johnson 632383/4.

# Hoops of fun at trundle races

**THERE were thrills and spills as pupils at The King's School Ely took part in one of the most fiercely contested events in their calendar – the annual hoop trundle.**

**The King's and Queen's Scholars, dressed in their scarlet gowns, ran races in the cathedral precinct while bowling traditional wooden hoops.**

**Four heats were held, culminating in two finals for the scholars, all sixth form students.**

**They ran the length of the 100-metre course by the south door of Ely Cathedral while fellow pupils and staff cheered them on.**

**The trundle commemorates the re-founding of the school by Henry VIII in 1541.**

**He gave the school its first royal charter and established the 12 King's Scholars – all boys. One of the privileges he allowed them was to play games, including the bowling of hoops, in the cathedral precincts.**

**In 1970, the school admitted girls for the first time in its 1,000-year history, and three years later the King's Scholars were joined by the female Queen's Scholars at the request of Queen Elizabeth during her visit to the school.**

**Jonathan East beat Alex Garner, Charles Kenzie and Oliver Moses in the King's Scholars' final. Rosie White emerged victorious in the Queen's Scholars' final, defeating Charlotte Bain, Martha Eddy and Claire Martin.**

**The winners will hold commemorative wooden tankards for a year.**

# Shock as elderly man dies after heart attack in pub

Sudden death: Police cars attend the Minster Tavern.

Picture: David Johnson 632398.

PEOPLE have described their shock after an elderly man died in Ely.

The man, who was in his 80s, was in the Minster Tavern when he suffered a heart attack.

Emergency services, including the air ambulance, attended the pub in Minster Place after receiving calls at 11.41am.

Paramedics tried to revive the victim for more than half an hour but he was pronounced dead at 12.18pm.

His next of kin have been informed.

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A member of staff at the Ely Cathedral Centre, near the pub, said: "I heard the sirens coming and then saw the flashing blue lights.

"It was clear something serious had happened and then I found out a man had died in the pub.

"It's a shocking thing to happen."

A member of staff from the Lamb Hotel, almost opposite the pub, did not want to be named but said: "We heard a man died in the pub and saw all the paramedics rush in.

"It's just shocking to think an elderly man was in the pub one minute then dead the next."

The air ambulance, two land ambulances and police attended the scene.

A spokeswoman for the East of England Ambulance Service, said: "Despite strenuous efforts to try to revive the man, he was pronounced dead at the scene after suffering a cardiac arrest."

Staff at the pub refused to comment on the death.

# Residents hit out at CCTV coverage cuts

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RESIDENTS and shopkeepers are in uproar after learning that 24-hour CCTV coverage in Ely is to be scrapped.

The *Weekly News* revealed last week that from this summer, the city's streets could be covered against crime for just 18 hours a day.

The controversial move is a result of an East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) review of CCTV provision in the city.

But many have blasting the authority for the move.

Ely resident Darrell Whiter said: "Taxpayers have the right to safer streets and protection for vulnerable people, day and night, 24/7.

"CCTV is a great help for shop traders' and citizens' peace of mind. I am appalled by the council's decision to remove 24-hour coverage.

"It's time for ECDC to make this city a better, safer and prosperous place to live because the citizens deserve better."

Lynn Road resident Julie Parnell said: "It just seems to be cut after cut for Ely.

"To get rid of 24-hour CCTV in the city is absolutely ridiculous. Shops are always getting their windows smashed and having items stolen from within and that's when CCTV coverage is present.

"What on earth is going to happen when the coverage is reduced – criminals will have a field day."

Shopkeepers have also been voicing their concerns to the city's traders' association.

Only last year, business owners were demanding better CCTV coverage in a bid to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour.

A member of staff from Bon Marche, located in The Cloisters, is also worried about the cuts.

The woman, who did not want to be named, said: "We have had our window smashed before so it is worrying to hear about the cuts.

"I think the council is making a decision that it could regret in the long run."

However, the authority insists the reduced hours will actually improve the CCTV service in Ely.

Ste Thornley, head of policy and performance at ECDC, said: "It is clear from our review that having at least 18 hours coverage per day would be sufficient and actually improve the service.

"Crimes in Ely happen at peak times and those are in the evenings and at the weekend, which we would obviously ensure are covered.

"By reducing the coverage, we would be no longer wasting time and resources."

The authority insists the move is not another council cut.

Leaping from the pages: above, Jake Flack, 11, and dog Duchess was inspired by Mr Stink the Tramp. Below, his fellow schoolmates also dressed up for the day.

Pictures (clockwise from above): 632020/14/16/18.

## Book characters come alive!

**BOOKWORMS were in their element across East Cambridgeshire last week.**

**Last Friday was World Book Day and to celebrate the occasion, schools and libraries from across the district went novel-mad.**

**But at Stretham Community Primary School, pupils were treated to a whole week of book-related festivities.**

**Author and illustrator Gillian McClure visited the school on Monday to work with the children and enhance their literary skills.**

**As well as lots of reading, the youngsters dressed up as their favourite book character on Friday, with everything from princesses to Harry Potters piling through the school gates.**

**A spokeswoman for the school said everyone had a "fantastic week".**

**For more information about World Book Day, visit *www.worldbookday.com***

## Council focus on economic growth

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But Lib Dems say an inspector appointed by the Government to review the council's core strategy has ordered it to look at alternatives instead.

However, ECDC insists it has identified other sources of funding for the bypass.

Cllr Peter Moakes, chairman of the council's strategic development committee, said: "The TIF is not the only source of funding available as we look to solve the very real problem of congestion in the south of Ely – there are others which we have identified.

"The need to solve the question of Ely's railway crossing is all the more pressing given the recent announcement from Network Rail that they will be increasing the amount of freight going through Ely by 2014. This could mean that the crossing will only be open for ten minutes in every hour.

Cllr Moakes added: "By consistently attacking options for a southern link road, I sometimes wonder if the Liberal Democrats would like Ely to return to the dark ages where the city could only be accessed by the river.

"Their refusal to acknowledge the need for growth in East Cambridgeshire and the constant attempts to rubbish the masterplan process despite the majority of the public supporting the blueprint for our future – all smack of a party which is happy for our district to stagnate and fall behind our peers.

"This council on the other hand is trying to position East Cambridgeshire at the forefront of the region's economic turnaround and the southern link road will help us get there, which is why we are working to achieve its success."

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## Two hospital patients test positive to SA bacteria

HEALTH chiefs have moved to quash rumours that MRSA has broken out at Ely's Princess of Wales Hospital.

Members of the public had heard that hospital staff were trying to get rid of the super bug on the Welney ward.

However, the *Weekly News* can confirm that there has been no outbreak.

Cambridgeshire Community Services (CCS) confirmed that two patients have, however, tested positive for the Staphylococcus Aureus (SA) bacteria on the surface of their skin.

But a spokeswoman said: "About one in three of us carries the SA bacteria in our nose or on the surface of our skin without developing an infection, as is the case with these two patients.

"This is known as being colonised by the bacteria.

"Standard hygiene practice is being followed to stop any potential spread of the bacteria.

"If Methycillin Resistant SA bacteria get into the body through a break in the skin, this can get into the bloodstream and can cause more serious infections, particularly in the most vulnerable. This is known as MRSA bacteraemia.

"There are no cases of MRSA bacteraemia at the Princess of Wales Hospital."

The spokeswoman added: "CCS is proud of its commitment to managing healthcare acquired infection and have had no cases of MRSA bacteraemia in the last 12 months."

## Strolling in the country

THE East Cambs Ramblers Group will be striding out this Saturday.
Residents are invited to join the group on a hike around Newport, Essex.
Starting at 9.30am from the village's railway arches, the group will be walking to Audley End then on to the Bell pub at Wendens Ambo before returning to Newport.
For more information, call Chris or Ros on (01353) 723150

## Eyes down for school cash

A VILLAGE pre-school will hold its annual prize bingo night on Wednesday, March 17.
Witchford Rackham Pre-school will host the event at Witchford Village Hall.
Doors open at 7.30pm and eyes down will be at 8pm.
Refreshments will also be served and the bar will be open.
All proceeds will go to the pre-school and everyone is welcome.

## Church showcases talent

LITTLE Downham residents are in for a treat on Saturday evening.
Local talented artists will be performing at the village's St Leonard's Church for all to enjoy.
The evening starts at 7.30pm.
Tickets are £5 for adults or £12 for a family, which includes refreshments.
For more information, call Shirley on (01353) 699632.

## Thieves steal boat fuel

THIEVES have targeted a boat moored at Ely Marina.
The offenders entered the boat, removed its fuel cap and then siphoned diesel from its tank.
The incident happened overnight on March 3.
Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

# Share ideas to build stronger community

BY JORDAN DAY

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RESIDENTS in Ely and the surrounding area are being asked how they would like the region to develop in the future.

The East Cambridgeshire Strategic Partnership, a body which represents public services, voluntary groups and businesses is putting together a Sustainable Community Strategy for 2011 - 2031 and wants the public to share its ideas.

The strategy will look at how communities can be improved by working together to tackle issues such as anti-social behaviour, rural transport and affordable housing.

Far from just looking at the negative aspects of living in the district, the consultation will also look at the good things that bond groups of people together, and whether these can be taken to other communities.

As part of its work to support communities, the partnership will have distributed almost £1.4 million in funding to various projects over three years.

It has supported East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) with initiatives such as the successful mature and active programme for over 55s and the BOSH summer sports programme, where more than 2,500 children took part in sports activities during the summer holiday.

Cllr Fred Brown, ECDC leader and chairman of the partnership, is urging residents to have their say.

He said: "A sense of community is what binds together different groups into something which is bigger than just a collection of people. Communities can be inclusive and understanding, but they can also be easily upset and disrupted.

"We need to build on the foundations we have. This is why the partnership is looking at how communities can develop in the future and why we want to hear what the people who live in the district would like to see.

"The Sustainable Community Strategy will be as important to East Cambridgeshire as the masterplan process is to our built environment, so please give us your thoughts and opinions.

"They could become part of something which could change the lives of many who live in our district."

To complete the consultation questionnaire go to *www.eastcambs.gov.uk* or email *lsp2@eastcambs.gov.uk* for a paper copy.

Copies of the questionnaire are also available in the reception of the East Cambridgeshire District Council offices and in libraries around the district.

"Passion or musical theatre": 16-year-old Sally Cheng. CP.

# Talented Sally sings her way into RADA summer sessions

**A KING'S School Ely pupil has been awarded a place on RADA's (Royal Academy of Dramatic Art) prestigious musical theatre summer school.**

**Sally Cheng, 16, has been selected from among more than 100 applicants for one of the 16 places on the course.**

**She will work on solo and choral pieces with professional musical directors, exploring the diverse styles of musical theatre.**

**Sally will also work with the academy's staff in movement and acting classes.**

**Adella Charlton, the King's School's director of performance studies, wrote a glowing testimonial in support of her application.**

**She said: "Sally has a passion for musical theatre.**

**"She has real talent, dedication and the ability to take direction."**

**Sally recently took a leading role in *The Exam*, the first production to be staged in the school's new £3.5 million arts complex.**

**She is currently rehearsing for this year's major musical, *Jekyll and Hyde: The Musical*, which will be staged on March 16, 18, 19 and 20.**

**She has appeared in numerous other school productions including Jesus *Christ Superstar, Midsummer Night's Dream, Our Country's Good* and *A Night at the Musicals* for which she did much of the choreography.**

**Sally said: "I am really excited about the RADA course.**

**"It will be a wonderful chance to build on all the opportunities I've been given in dance and drama at King's."**

**Sally was among nine King's pupils who all passed exams set by LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) last month.**

**Results were published on March 4 and she was awarded a merit pass in Musical Theatre Grade 6.**

**Fellow Year 11 pupil Jamie Seaward achieved a distinction in Acting Grade 7.**

# Students pull on trainers to back Sport Relief

THE City of Ely Community College will be going all-out to raise money for Sport Relief.

Two events will be held at the school, one on Friday, March 19 and another on Sunday, March 21.

The first event will consist of a one-mile fun run which can be done in any form, including three-legged and fancy dress.

There will be an entry fee of £3 per student and students have the option to collect sponsorship money if they wish.

The entrants will get a free pair of official Sport Relief socks, along with balloons and stickers.

The event will run from 9.40am-3pm.

The official fundraising event on the Sunday will be a chance for all entrants to take part in a one, three or six-mile event.

All participants will be expected to collect sponsorship which will go to project both in the UK and abroad.

There will also be stalls where entrants can purchase refreshments and gain a deeper insight into healthy living.

Each participant who applies for the mile will receive a goody bag, which includes socks and water on the day.

Anyone who wishes to register for the official event at the college on March 21 should visit the Sport Relief website and follow the online instructions.


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# Villagers raise minerals fears

AROUND 200 people have voiced their concerns over Cambridgeshire County Council's Mineral and Waste Plan.

More than 100 people attended an exhibition on the plans in Sutton last month and more than 60 went along to one in Haddenham last Thursday.

As reported in the *Weekly News*, residents and councillors are up in arms about the plan.

Families in the Haddenham, Wilburton, Stretham and Earith area fear their lives could be blighted by thousands of lorries rumbling through their villages if plans to extract 1.4million tonnes of sand and gravel from nearby pits are given the go-ahead.

Councillors also fear the villages could become main routes for HGVs travelling from the pits in Mepal, Block Fen and Needingworth onto the A10 and A14.

The materials excavated would be used to supply major building projects around Cambridge, such as Northstowe and the extension of the Addenbrooke's Hospital.

A county council spokesman said the consultations were proving to be useful.

He said: "Not only have the consultations been well attended, people have been able to voice their concerns and also have a lot of their questions answered.

"As with many large plans like these, there are rumours going around that just are not true and these consultations are designed to tell people the truth."

For more information, visit *www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk*

Grand opening: Ely Wool Shop owner Sandra Cox. Picture: David Johnson 632392.

# Knitters flock into new store for woolly yarns

**THERE were yarns galore in Ely on Saturday.**

**The Ely Wool Shop, on St Mary's Street, held its grand opening day, which saw dozens of knitters piling through the shop's doors.**

**Sandra Cox opened the shop in December but due to poor weather was not able to hold an official opening event.**

**To mark the occasion, visitors were treated to refreshments and nibbles, as well as discounts on a range of wools.**

**Mrs Cox said: "When Bobbin in the High Street was closing down I started to look at having a wool shop, as it would be awful to not have a shop in Ely.**

**"Things moved quickly from there and I found the lovely shop in St Mary's Street.**

**"It was great to welcome more people into the shop and things are going really well."**

**The shop stocks a wide range of wools, including Stylecraft, Rico, Artesano and Malabrigo yarns, a collection of dressmaking yarns, haberdashery, cross stitch, embroidery and tapestry kits and accessories.**

**For more information, call (01353) 661188.**

## Drive in for lecture

FREDDIE Dack will be the guest speaker at the Lecture Ely Tuesday Group's next meeting.

The talk will be held next Tuesday, and is titled 'Being a driving instructor'.

Meetings are held at the Old Dispensary on St Mary's Street at 10.15am.

Entry is £1.50 and all are welcome.

For more information, call Alexandra McBryde on (01353) 610037.

## Author's book is Hare

ELY author Simon Carnell will be celebrating the publication of his new book, *Hare*, next Thursday.

The much-loved writer will be talking about the novel at Topping & Co. Bookshop on High Street, at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £6 and £5 for concessions.

For more information or to book a place, call (01353) 645005.

## Damaged to car

VANDALS damaged a car while it was parked in Ely's Walsingham Way.

Two men were seen removing the side skirting from the left hand side of the vehicle at 11.20pm on March 2.

Anyone with any further information should call police on 0345 4564564.

## Report correction

FOLLOWING a report of a court case in last week's *Weekly News*, we would like to make it clear that the mother of Darren Young had not been in a relationship with the father of Tony Adams as was stated.

We would like to apologise for this error and for any upset and embarrassment this may have caused.

# Prime site 'safe from flats plan'

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CONTROVERSIAL plans which could have seen "awful" new flats built on land within a stone's throw of Ely Cathedral have been rejected.

Community leaders and residents are celebrating after proposals to build apartments on land south of 2-2A Forehill, were thrown out.

The plans, submitted by Premier Travel Holdings Ltd, included four one-bedroom and one two-bedroom flats on the site, as well as bin stores, bike shelters and two additional pedestrian access points.

The land runs adjacent to Ely's quirky Three Cups Walk, overlooks the fields near Cherry Hill and backs on to the gardens of The Almonry, with the city's cathedral in clear view from all points.

Richard Hobbs, the Mayor of Ely, said the site was "worth so much more" than flats.

He said: "I am delighted the plans have been turned down. I honestly believe if these plans had been passed we would have lost one of the city's last remaining prime sites forever.

Prime site: plans to build flats on the Forehill site have been rejected. The search is now on for ideas on what to do with it in the future.

"The proposals have been an issue for years and I have been determined to fight them from the moment I came across them.

"To see awful flats built on this amazing piece of land would have just been devastating."

Members of East Cambridgeshire District Council's planning committee rejected the proposals.

Concerns had been raised by the City of Ely Council, Cambridgeshire County Council's archaeology and highways chiefs, English Heritage and an architectural liaison officer.

There were also fears about the loss of important trees on the site and the affects the flats could have on the historic character of the area.

Cllr Jackie Petts, who represents Ely east, said: "I wouldn't say I was against the plans but the land has wonderful views of the cathedral and is a prime site.

"I certainly think the right decision has been made in making sure the land gets the most made out of it."

Cllr Hobbs and other community leaders are now coming up with new ideas for the land.

Cllr Hobbs said: "This area should be opened up to the public.

"I would love to see something like a courtyard with small shops and cafés there where people could wander in and enjoy themselves.

"The site is too beautiful to allow flats to be built on and hopefully in the future we will be able to look back and say thank goodness we didn't allow the plans to happen."

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## How helpful are cameras?

**Sir,** Well, the spies on the posts are going to be switched off at certain times of the day or night (Full-time CCTV coverage to go – *Weekly News*, March 4).

First, I would like to know the truth: how many criminals have really been convicted as a result of these cameras in the past year in Ely – our police inspector can surely let us know how efficient these cameras are at catching criminals in our city. You never see this published: criminal caught on camera and sent to court for the offence. Why have we not had that in our papers. That would help to satisfy people that they really work.

And if these cameras are going to be turned off, will we have police patrols in lieu? As Elaine Griffin-Singh said, once the criminals get to know the times they are shut down, they will have a field day.

This will be a very interesting venture for Ely, but the one thing we badly need is our own local phone line to Ely Police Station , a local number, straight there as we used to have with people to take the calls. I know for a fact that things have happened in villages and the city but people just say "why bother, it takes you 20 minutes to get through to Cambridge and you get put on hold".

We do not want to wait that long, we want to report something to our station so they can sort it. That's not asking for the crown jewels is it?

**Eddie Holden**
**Ely Road**
**Little Downham**

## Get rid of CCTV, get more police

**Sir,** Elaine Griffin-Singh argues against the reduction of CCTV surveillance in Ely, but declares that at present, shoplifters and vandals are seldom convicted on the basis of CCTV evidence.
Her observation demonstrates that CCTV should indeed be reduced.
Why spend public money on measures which fail to bring thieves and vandals to justice?
Perhaps we should do away with CCTV altogether and hire some more policemen instead.

**Barbara Self**
**Painter's Lane**
**Sutton**

## Ban on hunting should be kept

**Sir,** Over the last two months, more than 100 local people have contacted me to ask where I stand on the Hunting Act 2004. I can categorically state that I support the legislation. If elected to be your next MP I will never support any attempt to repeal the Act on the basis that I believe hunting with dogs is an immensely barbaric, cruel and sadistic form of entertainment.
The legislation goes someway in protecting foxes, deer and mink, against unnecessary suffering, but has also outlawed hare coursing completely.
The superfluous arguments used to justify proposals to repeal the legislation by members of the Conservative Party, namely that people sometimes flout the law and that these animals are pests, are frankly ridiculous. It is the equivalent of stating that we should remove murder legislation because it doesn't prevent every murder, and if these animals are considered such pest there are more humane and effective methods than chasing a creature to exhaustion before pulling it to pieces.
If elected the Conservatives are planning to re-open the issue by holding a free vote on the Act. This comes at a time when many would argue there are more pressing issues facing Britain instead of enfranchising their supporters with the right to harm animals.
Why not go all the way and bring back cockfighting, otter baiting, duck-baiting, cock throwing and dog fighting while you're at it?
Over the past year I have talked twice in person with Dan Norris MP, Minister of State for the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and we both agree that the legislation should be kept. I have also joined the national Back the Ban campaign.
I hope that in the fullness of time the activities banned in the Hunting Act will be viewed as a central facet in the wider campaign against animal cruelty.

**Peter Roberts**
**Labour Parliamentary spokesperson for North East Cambridgeshire**
**Main Street**
**Little Downham**

Keeping watch: Ely's CCTV operations will be scaled back from full-time coverage later this year. Some readers have questioned the success of CCTV to bring about prosecution while others say money could be better spent on employing more police officers.

## Reserves fall under Tory rule

**Sir,** It was difficult to discern from Cllr Bradney's rambling tirade (Attack full of misinformation – *Letters*, February 25) precisely where his criticism was being directed other than it being an assignment in whinging.
It concluded in an attempt to portray the Tories as doing a marvellous job in steering East Cambridgeshire through troubled times. Nothing could be further from the truth as the letter contained a large proportion of "chaff" in its attempt to divert residents from some of the real issues that should be of concern to them.
Far from frittering away council money, the Liberal Democrat authority, when in power, took the resolute decision to stop using the council's reserves to subsidise council tax, an unsustainable Spanish custom introduced by the preceding Independent administration that was in the process of slowly depleting the reserves.
As a consequence of this, when the district council elections were held in 2003, residents were duped by a sly and deceitful Tory slogan that led them into believing the cupboard was bare when in fact there was £7m in the reserves plus substantial land assets held within the district.
Compare that to the latest financial position publicised at February's full council meeting where, under the current Tory administration, this figure has now been depleted to a meagre £1.075m.
Residents need look no further than the following financial fiascos to realise they are less than proficient in managing the council's resources when pursuing their unwanted and divisive policies:
- £1m spent in the purchase and construction of the Angel Drove car park – a manifesto pledge that seldom reaches 50 per cent capacity and will never meet its projected payback period,
- £116,000 spent in a needless effort to convince the electorate, and themselves, of the need for a new council building.
- £56,000 on an aborted Masterplan illegally set up and noted by the Standards Board for England to be unconstitutional,
- £49,688 spent since 2007 on increasing allowances to councillors with even more expected at the conclusion of this financial year.

As for the hard negotiating Cllr Bradney talks about, this must rank as a new euphemism for the blackmail imposed on ADeC by the threat of total eradication in its council funding. A poor reward for the excellent service the organisation has been asked to provide.
If the above examples are meant to represent a sample of the business acumen promised by the Tories in their election literature, residents should justifiably be expressing concern about how their council tax is being used to benefit the community.

**Cllr Neil Morrison**
**Liberal Democrat**
**Littleport West Ward**

## Vision to return to days of ague

**Sir,** In reply to Ben Gibbs's letter, More for vision than against it, on March 4.
854 votes is hardly a vote of confidence for the vision either Mr Gibbs!
Correct me if I am wrong, but isn't the National Trust's Wicken Fen Vision just that. A backward-looking project that would take us back to the dark ages.
East Anglian Fen people died of typhus and ague. Would this ambitious, far-sighted vision on a meaningful fragment of East Anglia also include the suffering with the return of malaria ? The conditions will be an ideal breeding ground, there's no guarantee it won't happen.
Perhaps Hilary Van de Watering's allotments for the community (Trust to create 1,000 allotments – *Letters*, February 25) will be used for the cultivation of opium, which then would take us all out of our miserable dark clouds.

**Alison Arnold**
**Fleetwood**
**Ely**

### LETTERS POLICY

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Loving couple: pictured on their big day by Ely photographer Mike Dixon, below.

# Mike saves the day Down Under

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

A photographer from Ely saved the day at an Australian beach wedding after the booked snapper failed to arrive.

Good Samaritan Mike Dixon was enjoying a seaside stroll with friends in Albany, Australia, when he spotted a glum-looking wedding party ahead of him.

The distraught mother-of-the-bride told Mike, 49, there would be no pictures of her daughter's big day as the booked photographer, who also had the rings, had failed to turn up.

But by lucky coincidence, Mike, a part-time professional photographer, already had a camera with him to take scenic shots, and immediately offered to take pictures for free.

He spent the next 15 minutes capturing the obligatory romantic shots of the bride and groom at the beachside ceremony surrounded by family and friends.

Mike, a wedding snapper for three years, said the odds were "mind boggling" that he would pass by at just the right time, 10,000 miles from home.

He said: "We had gone to the coast for the weekend and arrived at the beach when we saw the wedding party. I noticed that everyone looked a bit down and asked what had happened.

"When they said it was because the wedding photographer hadn't turned up, I offered to do some photographs and took as many pictures as I could.

"By the time I left everyone was smiling and much happier – you could feel the whole atmosphere of the wedding had improved."

Kind-hearted Mike waived his normal fee of £500.

The original booked photographer had got lost on her way to the beach. With no phone signal nearby the quick-thinking mother-of-the-bride Glenda Jackson, 49, was forced to borrow rings and have them blessed moments before the ceremony.

Glenda, from Albany, said: "Mike has restored my faith in human generosity, he was brilliant and because of him the wedding really was perfect.

"We were about to leave the beach to go to the reception and suddenly Mike came down the steps to the beach and offered to take the wedding photographs for us."

Bride Sharon, 22, had been planning her wedding – themed to mimic Australian family drama *McLeod's Daughters* – for six months. Her new husband Ian, 28, proposed to Sharon, who wore cowboy boots and a Alfred Angelo designer gown, a year before.

Following the ceremony on February 20 the couple are now on their honeymoon in Bali.

Dad-of-two Mike, who also runs his own veterinary equipment company, was on a two-week business trip around Australia when he stumbled across the wedding.

In a bizarre coincidence he also snapped a man proposing to his girlfriend at Sydney Zoo a week earlier – using a Galah bird to deliver the engagement ring.

Mike, whose father was the famous royal photographer John Dixon, has since been asked to return to Australia to take pictures of the couple's wedding."

# Swingers help top up polio fighting fund

THE Rotary Club of Ely has raised £1,500 to help fund its special Thanks for Life project, which helps to beat polio across the world.

The bumper sum was raised at the club's Big Band Night last month, which saw hundreds of revellers descending on the city's Hayward Theatre for 1940s and 50s music, led by band Opus 17.

All proceeds from the evening will go directly to the project, which helps to fight the disease in some of the world's most deprived countries.

Gillian Brady, a spokeswoman for the club, said: "I would like to thank everyone for making our Big Band Night such a great success.

"To raise £1,500 is fantastic, especially when it comes to fighting such a terrible disease as polio."

# Family Announcements

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## Births

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## Deaths

**BRIDGFORD.** Ann of Ely, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, February 27th, 2010. Dearly loved wife of Robin, devoted and much loved mum to Melissa and the late Samantha. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Ely, on Tuesday, March 9th, 2010, at 10.45am, followed by cremation at Cambridge City Crematorium, 12.00noon, West Chapel. Flowers or donations for Cancer Research UK may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service limited, 4 Tower Road, Ely. CB7 4HW.

**HITCH.** Jean of Littleport, passed peacefully to rest on Saturday, February 27th, 2010, aged 77 years. Beloved wife of the late Joe, dear mum to Karen, Paul, Neil and the late Wayne, much loved nan to Bernadette and Joseph, great-nan to Imogen. Funeral service in Littleport Salvation Army Citadel, on Tuesday, March 9th, at 12.00noon, to be followed by burial at Littleport Cemetery. Family flowers only, donations to the Ely and District Stroke Club, would be appreciated and sent c/o Weyman Funeral Service, 26 Abbey Walk, Cambridge. CB1 2QJ.

**LANGFORD.** Leslie (Les) of Ely, peacefully at Woodlands Care Centre, Cambridge, on Tuesday, March 2nd, 2010, aged 76 years. Dearly loved father, father-in-law, grandad, great-grandad and brother. Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's Church, Ely, on Friday, March 12th, 2010, at 2.30pm. Family flowers only but donations for Diabetes UK may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service Limited, 4 Tower Road, Ely. CB7 4HW.

**PIRIE.** John of Ely, founder of CAMDA (Cambridge Mongolia Development Appeal) passed away peacefully in his sleep at home on Sunday, February 28th, 2010, aged 81 years. A much loved husband, father and grandfather and an inspiration to all he met. Funeral service at Cambridge City Crematorium, West Chapel on Monday, March 15th, 2010, at 3.00pm. Family flowers only but donations for CAMDA may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service Limited, 4 Towers Road, Ely. CB7 4HW.

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# MEMORIES

■ THIS week's picture, taken from our archives, shows a popular past event.
Do you recognise anyone in the picture or know what the event was? Do you know where and when it was taken?
Send your answers to: Memories, *Ely Weekly News*, 27 Market Place, Ely, CB7 4NP by Tuesday morning, or email *editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk*

Picture: 589334.

Last week's Memories photograph, from our archives, showed children enjoying an exhibition at Ely Acremont House. It was taken in July, 1965.

Picture: 589733.

# Dame presents lecture

ASTROPHYSICIST Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell visited The King's School Ely last Friday to give the 28th Osmond Lecture.

As a postgraduate student at Cambridge University, she discovered the first radio pulsars with her thesis supervisor Antony Hewish, for which Hewish shared the Nobel Prize in Physics with Martin Ryle in 1974.

The failure to include her as a co-recipient caused controversy at the time, although she has since received numerous awards herself.

She was honoured by the Queen with the CBE in 1999 and invested as a Dame Commander of the British Empire in 2007, the same year she was awarded an honorary doctorate by Harvard University.

Born in Northern Ireland in 1943, she failed the 11+ exam and her parents sent her to England.

She studied physics at the University of Glasgow and graduated with a BSc in 1965, completing her PhD at New Hall (since renamed Murray Edwards College), Cambridge in 1969.

The Osmond Lecture was established by The King's School's Old Eleans' Club in honour of the career of Leonard Osmond, science teacher at King's from 1930-1970.

# Lights, cameras and action return to city

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

ELY has been chosen to star in yet another movie.

Film producers will be shooting scenes in the city later this month, the *Weekly News* can reveal.

Cinema Rex, a Cambridgeshire-based TV and film production company, is behind the filming and plans to make a short film, part of which will be shot in and around Ely.

The film will reflect an episode in the life of a Polish migrant labourer working on a local farm.

It has not yet been announced where exactly scenes will be shot but filming is expected to start in the last week of March.

Ania, the main character, is tricked by a local photographer into posing for some glamour shots to make some extra money, unaware that his designs are more sinister.

When she discovers what has really been going on, she learns she is merely the next in a line of vulnerable girls destined to "disappear" once they have played their part in his deadly scheme.

The film is a pilot for a planned series of short films under the umbrella title *The Voyeur*, in which each story is linked in some way to the theme of the internet.

Writers on the series include: Leslie Stewart, from *As If*, *Down to Earth* and *Holby City*; Dan Sefton from *Monarch of the Glen*, *Casualty* and *EastEnders;* and John Martin Johnson from *Heartbeat* and *New Tricks*, to name just a few.

The pilot episode is being made in association with staff and students from the media and communications department at Coventry University.

A spokeswoman for Cinema Rex, said: "We are very excited about this project and filming in Ely.

"We chose Ely because we feel it will make the perfect setting for one of our short films and filming is expected to start later this month."

Local actors and extras, both British and Eastern European, could also get to star in the movie.

Cinema Rex is looking for locals to take part in the film and has been in touch with local drama groups about them taking part.

The news comes just four months after Hollywood stars Colin Firth, Helena Bonham Carter and Guy Pearce descended on the city to film scenes for of *The King's Speech* in Ely Cathedral.

It was the fifth time in four years that Ely had been used as a location for a major movie, with *Elizabeth: The Golden Age*, *The Other Boleyn Girl*, *The Other Man* and a recent Hollywood film also shot at the city's historic cathedral.

The cathedral has also been nominated as the Best Film and TV location in the East of England in the past.

Anyone interested in starring in the new film should call Laura Shearing on 07736 840169.

# New arts complex to inspire students

BY JORDAN DAY

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LORD Browne of Madingley cut a scarlet ribbon to officially open the King's School Ely's new £3.5m arts complex on Saturday.

The complex is housed in a grand two-storey building, in the same quadrangle as the music department, with views of The Bishop's Palace grounds and Ely Cathedral.

There is now designated space for textiles, fine art, photography and ceramics, all under one roof, and the art department staff completed their move from Catherine Needham's building in Back Hill in time for the start of the Lent term.

A gallery has also been created at the rear of the Hayward Theatre to house sound and lighting equipment for use during productions.

Sue Freestone, the head of King's, said: "We now have a facility of which we can be justly proud, that supports the quality of what goes on here and enables our students to fly even higher."

Lord Browne is a former pupil of the school who went on to read physics at Cambridge University and built an illustrious career with BP.

He has been awarded 17 honorary degrees and numerous other honours, and was invited to officially open the building in his capacity as chairman of the Tate Gallery.

His schooldays in Ely are recalled in his newly-published autobiography, *Beyond Business*.

An exhibition in the new arts complex, featuring work by King's Ely senior school pupils, opens to the public on Saturday, March 20 and runs to Thursday, March 25. Opening times are: Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-12.30pm.

Now open: above, Sue Freestone and Lord Browne of Madingley inspect the art on show at the new centre, right. Pictures: David Johnson 632351/73.


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## Get strumming at Scout hut session

A UKULELE workshop will be held in Ely on Sunday, March 21. Award-winning tutor Steven Sproat will lead the event at the Scout hut on St John's Road, Ely. The workshop is for beginner adults aged 16 and over and will run 10.30am-3.30pm.
The cost is £33 per person, which includes handouts and refreshments.
For more information, call 07747 161710 or visit *www.utime.me.uk*

## Rotary club's big barn dance beats

RESIDENTS are being reminded about a bumper barn dance being held on Saturday.
Ely's Hereward Rotary Club will host the dance at the Beet Club on Lynn Road at 7.30pm.
All money raised will be donated to charity.
Last-minute tickets, priced at £12.50, are available from Burrows Bookshop, Wade Optometrist or by calling Neville Williams on (01353) 664214.

## Jazz it up for mum at music afternoon

BEAUTIFUL sounds will be filling The Lamb Hotel in Ely on Mothering Sunday.
The Ely Jazz Club will welcome Nigel Portass on keyboards and Nigel Smith on drums.
Special guest will be Derek Clenshaw on trombone.
Entry is £5 and free for under-16s. It runs from 12.30pm-2.45pm.

Having a ball: above, front, Lions player and coach Laura Neaves demonstrates some skills to John Gilby. Below left: the team in action. Pictures: Warren Gunn 629520/7.

# Lions roar with korfball taster

**LITTLEPORT was the place to be for those looking to try their hand at an unusual sport.**

**The town's Lions Korfball Club held a bumper free taster session at the Littleport Leisure Centre recently.**

**Droves of people attended the event, which organisers hoped would enlighten people about the sport and show them exactly what it is.**

**Tom Hickson, sports development officer at East Cambridgeshire District Council, said: "Korfball is one of the few true mixed gender team sports, with rules specifically written to ensure both men and women have an equal opportunity.**

**"For anyone who hasn't played to describe it as simply a cross between basketball and netball wouldn't do it justice.**

**"The taster session went extremely well and we hope the club will be recognised more in the town now."**

# Network date for business

NORTH East Cambridgeshire MP Malcolm Moss and South East Cambridgeshire MP Jim Paice are to host a special business forum in Ely.

The Conservative MPs are inviting all businesses in their constituencies, regardless of their political persuasion and size, to attend the event on Friday, March 19.

The forum will offer business people the opportunity to help foster practical understanding between local politicians, authorities, business leaders and banks.

There will also be presentations from Barclays Bank, Business Link, East Cambridgeshire District Council and the East of England Development Agency, followed by a question and answer session.

Mr Moss said: "Given the current adverse economic climate, there is an increased need among businesses to share good practice and to improve lines of communication with both local and national government departments.

"This meeting will be an excellent opportunity for businesses in areas such as Littleport, Soham, Ely, Sutton, Burwell, Haddenham and Witchford to network and to access and share information on new local and central government initiatives aimed at helping businesses.

"We welcome all local businesses to attend this important meeting, and we look forward to seeing you there."

The forum will be held at The Maltings, Ely, at 7pm.

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# Angels come home to stay

BY JORDAN DAY

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A PAIR of 17th century baroque angels discovered in a church hall loft are to be specially dedicated at Ely Cathedral.

The elegant statues were found last year in several pieces, covered with white paint and in desperate need of repair.

However, after months of detailed attention and research, the angels have almost been restored to their former glory.

Elizabeth Stazicker, archivist at the cathedral, said: "Our ancient cathedral and its furnishings are a constant reminder of the long line of souls – departed, living and yet to come – who have worked and worshipped here.

"The angels, cleaned and restored by Richard Wilson, a conservator who lives in Ely, represent an important period in the history of the cathedral furnishings."

Seventeenth century prints show the angels' oak dark in colour, fingering long gold trumpets, high on the organ case mounted on a screen across the choir. When a reordering of the choir occurred in 1849, the angels were removed to storage and later to the new church of St Matthew, Cambridge.

However, after being discovered, the angels have now been brought back to where they were first used.

Cathedral archives show they were made in 1693.

The white paint has been removed from the angels to reveal their original dark oak and they have been erected in the south transept of the cathedral.

The angels will now be dedicated in memory of Thomas Cocke, architectural historian and much-valued member of the cathedral's fabric advisory committee.

Mr Cocke, who studied much of the period at the cathedral, passed his A-levels aged 16 and won an open scholarship to Pembroke College, Cambridge.

He was found drowned on April 23 last year, aged 59.

The restoration of the angels has been funded by Mr Cocke's friends and a Cocke family trust.

They will be dedicated at evensong in the cathedral on Friday, March 26.

Returned: the two 17th century angels have now been restored and placed back in Ely Cathedral.

# Thieves' raid on vehicles

POLICE are appealing for information after two vehicles were broken into in Soham on the same night.

Both were parked in Fordham Road on Saturday.

The first was a white Peugeot Boxer van, where the offenders made a small hole under the driver's side door handle and then popped the locks.

The hole was very neat, allowing the culprits to open the vehicle without setting off the alarm.

The thieves then stole items from the glove boxes and inside doors.

Another vehicle was also broken into.

Anyone with any information is urged to call police on 0345 4564564.

# Acorns grow with big new building

A VILLAGE pre-school has flung open the doors to its brand new purpose-built building.

Little Thetford Acorns Pre-school and Children's Club, near Ely, is now welcoming children to the new venue.

The state-of-the-art building has been taking shape throughout the winter and now offers a whole host of new facilities.

Among the new features are a messy play area, rubber play surfaces, a covered play area for all-year round use, a vegetable patch and a large turfed garden.

The new building has been designed by Freeman Brear Architects specifically as a childcare venue, hosting the local pre-school and wrap around care services, including a breakfast club, an after-school club and a holiday club.

Little Thetford Acorns Pre-school and Children's Club, formerly Little Thetford Pre-school changed its name earlier this year when it was awarded a grant from Cambridgeshire County Council for the new facilities.

Caroline Chamberlain, chair of the pre-school committee, said: "We are absolutely thrilled that we are open and operating in our new premises.

"It is a big achievement for Little Thetford Acorns' staff and committee and is so exciting for everyone involved, particularly local children and parents who this will benefit the most."

The pre-school has also been awarded a grant to cover the costs of equipping the new building to a high standard.

For more information about Little Thetford Acorns, call (01353) 649234 or visit *www.littlethetfordacorns.org.uk*

Shiny and new: from left, Acorns leader Ginny Rosser, Caroline Chamberlain, Karlinda Murfitt, Clair Melloy, and Hilary Sellars with some of the children. Picture: Richard Patterson 631608.

# Council tax breaks for war heroes

BY JORDAN DAY

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WAR pensioners and disabled service personnel returning to the Ely area from active duty are to get a better deal from their local council.

East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) is introducing a new scheme to help them save on their council tax bill.

The authority will now disregard War Disablement, War Widows, Pensioners and Armed Forces Compensation Scheme payments when calculating housing and council tax benefit.

Former servicemen and women will not have to worry about means testing on the income which they receive as a result of injuries received while in service.

It's "fantastic" news, says the city's mayor, Richard Hobbs, and was introduced after a local war pensioner approached the council.

Fred Brown, ECDC leader, said the authority "wants to help our disabled servicemen and women as much as possible".

He said: "We owe a huge debt to our soldiers, sailors, airmen and women.

"Every day they put their lives at risk in conditions which none of us could ever imagine or dare to experience.

"In honour of the contribution which they have made and continue to make in the future, no serviceman or woman who has disabilities will need to worry about their council tax benefits."

Mr Brown added: "The council wants to help our disabled servicemen and women as much as possible when they return home and we hope our scheme will mean they have one less thing to worry about when they come back.

"We have a proud record of supporting our armed services in East Cambridgeshire and we pledge to continue that in the future."

Cllr Hobbs, who said honouring the city's servicemen and women was at the forefront of his year in office, welcomed the decision.

He said: "I want to congratulate ECDC for introducing this fantastic scheme.

"I am 100 per cent behind it.

"These people have done and continue to do something that many of us wouldn't even dream of doing – putting their lives at risk for their country.

"For that, they should be honoured in every way we can."

# Budding actors called to the stage

AWARD-winning Viva Youth Theatre has unveiled plans for its next show, *Godspell*.

The Soham-based group will hold auditions for the musical at Brook House, Brook Street, on Sunday, March 21, starting at 3pm.

*Godspell* first opened off Broadway in 1971 and features original material and hymn lyrics set to modern music, which songs such as *Day by Day*.

The production will take place in Soham in July and is for young people aged 11 to 30.

A version of the production for those aged 16 and above will also be staged at the Edinburgh Festival in August.

For more information about the auditions, call Martha Waterhouse on (01353) 722228 or email *vivayouth@hotmail.co.uk*

Meanwhile, a special Fringe information evening will also take place on Thursday, March 18. It starts at 8pm and will be held at Viva's centre on Churchgate Street for any over-16s interested in going to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

For more information, visit *www.viva-group.org.uk*


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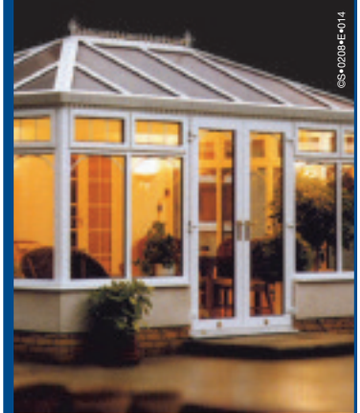

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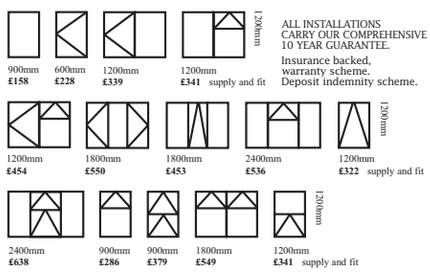


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## Reading date for budding actors

THE Little Downham Play Reading Group will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, March 16.

Starting at 7.30pm, participants will be able to read a range of plays by local writers, as well as act out a comedy.

Refreshments will also be provided.

The meetings are held at The Studio on Main Street.

Entry is £2 and all are welcome.

For more information, call (01353) 698483 or 07552 957849.

## Mums' tea time at beauty spot

WICKEN Fen Nature Reserve will welcome families on Mother's Day.

The reserve will hold a Mothering Sunday High Tea event from 2.30pm onwards.

Tickets are £10 for adults and £6 for children, and booking is essential.

To book your place, call (01353) 720274.

## Police hunt for van thieves

A TRANSIT van has been stolen from Littleport.

The van was parked in Elmside when it was taken.

Thieves struck some time between 2.30am and 10.20am on February 28.

Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

# Pupils jump for joy at sports day

**PRIMARY school children from across the district converged on Witchford Village College last week.**

**The college held a bumper tag rugby and gymnastics festival, which saw more than 50 of youngsters letting off excess steam.**

**Children from Mepal and Witcham, Sutton, Wilburton and Little Thetford primary schools took part in the event.**

**With the help of sports leaders from Year 9 and the college's sports ambassadors, they performed forward rolls, cartwheels, used beams and took part in vaulting, balancing and jumping activities.**

**Helen Brand, KS2/3 PE co-ordinator at the college, said: "The gymnastics festival was the first of its type organised at Witchford Village College.**

**"Around 50 pupils from Years 3 and 4 attended and had a really good time learning new gymnastic skills and increasing their confidence.**

**"The Witchford Year 9 leaders were outstanding and really helped the younger pupils to improve."**

**Meanwhile, outside teams from Robert Arkenstall, Little Thetford and Rackham primary schools competed in a tag rugby festival.**

**Rackham Primary School won the event and will now go on to represent the Witchford family of schools at the county competition later this month.**

Flying high: Witchford Village College sports ambassador Hannah Dewey looks on as Lewis Mortimer from Little Thetford Primary School performs star jumps at the gymnastics festival. CP.

# Chipping in with a generator

WITH spring just around the corner, a grant for members of the Little Downham Conservation Group could not have come sooner.

The group has been awarded £620 which will go towards the cost of a small generator.

As reported in the *Weekly News*, the group received a large grant last year, enabling them to better manage the village's community orchard and nature reserve.

Since then, parishioners have given equipment to the group which they no longer need, one of which was a wood chipper which runs on electricity.

However, there was a lack of 240 volts of electricity needed to power the chipper.

The group has been given the grant by the East Cambridgeshire Community Fund to provide the required 240 volts, plus, several other pieces of equipment.


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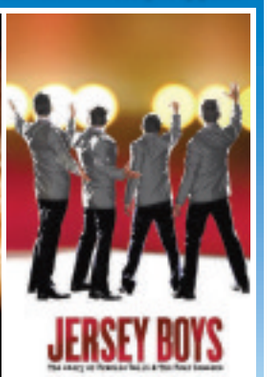


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# 'Hero' of fens comes to life

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

THE life and work of world-famous engineer Cornelius Vermuyden will be celebrated in Prickwillow.

Sir Vermuyden, who died in 1677, was a Dutch engineer who introduced Dutch reclamation methods to Britain and made the first important attempts to drain The Fens of East Anglia.

To mark his achievements, the Prickwillow Engine Museum, near Ely, will run a special exhibition and members of the public are invited to see it.

The event starts on Sunday and runs during the National Science and Engineering Week for participating schools, as part of the Royal Society's Local Heroes programme.

Paul Dunham, chairman of the museum, said: "The Fenlands, as they are known, covering an overall area of some 1,300 square miles, were, until the 17th century, regularly subject to flooding for most of the winter months.

Local hero: Cornelius Vermuyden.

"A group of investors, known as the Adventurers, commissioned Cornelius Vermuyden to instigate ways of draining and safeguarding these fenland areas.

"The work in the construction of the two Bedford Rivers was completed by 1656, a total distance of some 22 miles between Earith and Denver.

"The works also included a sluice at Denver on the second (New Bedford) river, which afforded protection against high tidal levels flooding upstream into the fenland basin."

Sunday's event will see a re-enactor of Sir Vermuyden visit the museum to introduce some new interactive models.

Visitors will also be able to speak to him about his vision and plans.

The exhibition is part of the Society's Local Heroes programme, a nationwide celebration of Royal Society Fellows at 50 museums and galleries.

For more information, call the museum on (01353) 688360 or visit *www.prickwillow-engine-museum.co.uk*

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# Policing pledge to clean up gardens

BY JORDAN DAY

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ELY'S award-winning Jubilee Gardens have been identified as a major problem area.

Police are now taking action to curb anti-social behaviour and nuisance in the Waterside beauty spot.

It comes just weeks after an order was put in place to stop people getting drunk in the gardens.

The East Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership had applied for the order following a rise in complaints from nearby residents and businesses about alcohol-related offences and disturbances.

The order was approved by East Cambridgeshire District Council last month and restricts people consuming alcohol in a public place that would create a nuisance or annoyance to the public or result in disorder.

It will come into force next month.

However, the gardens have now been identified as a "policing pledge area" after persistent reports of anti-social behaviour, under-age drinking, rowdy and nuisance behaviour.

Julie Spence, chief constable of Cambridgeshire Constabulary, confirmed that officers now have to respond to reports from the gardens within an hour.

On the case: police must now respond to reports of problems in Jubilee Gardens within an hour.

Speaking on her latest podcast, she said: "Action to make police officers more visible in the area at key times has already helped to improve the situation and now East Cambridgeshire District Council, supported by the police, have introduced a designated Public Place Order.

"The order gives officers extra powers to tackle nuisance drinkers in the area in a bid to drive anti-social behaviour down further and make this area of Ely safer for everyone to use."

Since hearing about the new order, numerous residents have raised their concerns about how it could affect events such as concerts and fundraisers which take place in the gardens during the summer.

However, Ste Thornley, chairman of the safety partnership, said the order would not prevent sociable drinking, such as friends and families gathering in the gardens for picnics or concerts.

Mr Thornley said: "I would like to stress that if this order will not stop anyone from drinking alcohol in the park if they are socialising with friends or having a family picnic.

"This order is to stop the consumption of alcohol when it creates the potential for disorder or to cause an annoyance.

"We want our green spaces in East Cambridgeshire to be places you can go to relax, play or simply enjoy a walk.

"They should not be ruined by a minority who are intent on causing a nuisance."

To have your say on the scheme, contact Nick Ball on (01353) 66555 or email *nick.ball@eastcambs.gov.uk*

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# Tea time party for scheme

A SUPPORT scheme in Soham will hold a special anniversary tea party next Tuesday.

Deniva, which helps elderly and vulnerable people in the town, is celebrating its second birthday this month.

To make the occasion, people are invited to a free tea party at Soham Methodist Hall from 1.30-3.30pm.

Deniva was launched by Care Network and Viva Arts and Community Group and is open to all elderly, isolated and vulnerable Soham residents who are not living in sheltered accommodation.

Joining the scheme means that a trained warden maintains phone contact, visits members and offers help with practical support such as collecting pensions and shopping.

Everyone is welcome to the party.

For more information, call Angela Schumann on (01353) 721748 or 07702 522363.

# Paddle-boarding takes off with league competitions

BY JORDAN DAY

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**East Anglia looks set to become a UK centre of excellence for a quirky sport – thanks to one man from Ely.**

Less than a year ago, Roland Gurner, 35, dreamt of bringing stand-up paddle-boarding to Cambridgeshire's waterways.

As reported in the *Weekly News*, the water sports fanatic launched the Fen Paddle Company and started running taster sessions in Ely.

The sport – which is a bit like surfing, but with a oar, or like canoeing while standing on a surfboard – went down a storm and soon Mr Gurner was invited to run paddle-board tours along the River Cam in Cambridge and at Wicken Fen Nature Reserve.

Now, thanks to his efforts, three paddle-boarding leagues are being established in Cambridge, Peterborough and Norwich.

In addition, a series of events to encourage even more people to try their hand at the sport have been planned throughout the year.

Mr Gurner said: "2010 will be a significant year for the growth for paddle-boarding in the UK with the creation of a centre of excellence in the region.

"Our waterways give us the perfect conditions for inland paddle-boarding, meaning we can be at the forefront of developing the sport.

"So far we've had the help and support of many organisations including the National Trust, The Broads Authority and Living Sport.

"We've also attracted sponsorship from the adventure clothing brand WOMbat.

"This has enabled us to establish three paddle-boarding leagues, as well as events for people wanting to try the sport for the first time."

Competitive inland paddle-boarding involves standing upright to power and navigating a paddle-board through a course in the fastest possible time.

Mr Gurner added: "Whether it is for competition or just as an activity to help improve fitness, we're hoping paddle-boarding will help put the region on the sporting map in the same way cycling and hockey have become synonymous with Manchester and Milton Keynes in recent years."

Anyone wishing to register for the events or try out paddle-boarding can get more information at *www.fenpaddle.co.uk*

On course for success: founder of Fen Paddle Company, Roland Gurner. CP

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**It has been built by the same property portal developers behind the largest national homes site in the US and seeks to provide a one-stop solution for people interested in property throughout a whole swathe of the country.**

**Graham Ayres, managing director of Cambridge Newspapers, publisher of the *Weekly News*, said: "We have been working closely with agents to come up with the best online property solution for the markets which we serve and believe that *HomesNow.co.uk* offers just that.**

**"An added advantage we can bring is our knowledge of the areas and this site should prove to be the natural companion to our already highly successful in-paper property sections, which will also be rebranded *HomesNow.co.uk*."**

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# Withdrawal of Plastic Bottle Kerbside Collections

### We regret that plastic bottle kerbside recycling collections in East Cambridgeshire will be withdrawn from Friday 26th March 2010.

### Why is the service stopping?

**The District Council has faced a very difficult financial situation and has had to make savings to meet its budget deficit of £1.65m for 2010/11. Unfortunately the plastic kerbside collection is being withdrawn to help achieve these savings.**

### Last collection dates

**Your last collection will be on your usual recycling collection day during the two weeks ending on Friday 26 March. Please do not put plastic bottles out for recycling collections after this time as we will be unable to collect them.**

### How can I continue to recycle plastic bottles?

**Please recycle plastic bottles in recycling banks around the District. Bank locations can be found on the Council's web site at www.eastcambs.gov.uk or by using the contact details provided below.**

**Other recycling collections will be unchanged, please continue to recycle all that you can.**

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## Hot new look for Indian eatery

**MORE than 100 people enjoyed a feast of Indian delights in Littleport last week.**

**The Indian Garden restaurant in Victoria Street threw open its doors to show off its brand new look.**

**The restaurant has undergone a major refurbishment and has reopened to patrons.**

**To celebrate its refurbishment, owners Abu Shahid and Abdul Malik invited residents, businesses and dignitaries to an open evening last Tuesday.**

**Visitors, including the mayor and mayoress of Ely, were treated to exciting dishes, Indian dancers and lots of other authentic entertainment.**

Opening night: from left, Ely mayor Richard Hobbs, Abu Shahid, partner of Indian Garden, Abdul Malik, Littleport parish councillor Francis Brown and Ely mayoress Patricia Hobbs. CP.

**Ely mayor, Richard Hobbs, said: "It was a wonderful evening and the restaurant is certainly going down a storm in Littleport.**

**"I wish them the best of luck."**

**The restaurant is also giving customers the chance to win two return flights to India.**

**For more information or to reserve a table, call (01353) 863642 or (01353) 863656.**

# Odourisers still on site to fight smell

BY JORDAN DAY

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PERFUME is still being pumped into the air in Littleport – more than seven months after a massive tyre fire first broke out in the town.

The *Weekly News* can reveal that an odouriser is still being used to combat smells and fumes coming from tyre recycling plant Murfitts.

The Environment Agency (EA) has also confirmed that experts have still got to clear contaminated soil from the site.

Littleport came to a standstill on August 21 last year when 2,000 tonnes of rubber went up in flames at the plant on Wisbech Road.

Residents were forced to seal their properties and described it as a "living nightmare" as thick smoke billowed across the town.

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service (CFRS) confirmed the inferno was the largest tyre fire every in the UK and announced it would cost taxpayers more than £80,000 to fully extinguish it.

Fumes: the fire which broke out last year.

Seven weeks after the tyres first went up in flames and to the relief of families and businesses, the blaze was eventually put out on October 7.

However, the extent of the damage was clear to see, with the majority of the tyre plant's buildings, machinery and equipment burnt out and nearby homes and buildings scarred with black smoke.

As well as testing nearby watercourses for contamination, the EA put three odourisers on the site to combat the smell and tackle air pollution.

However, one still remains.

Rita Penman, a spokeswoman for the EA, said: "Two of the odourisers have been removed but one remains to provide protection for potential smells from any remaining lagoon water.

"However, those smells have greatly reduced due to natural breakdown, dilution and the continued removal of the water."

The EA says that water that currently falls onto the site and adjacent ditch is being pumped into lagoons, which is then transported away "to protect the Fenland drainage system" from pollution.

Miss Penman added: "The site has been cleared and the waste taken to a properly licensed facility for disposal and we have checked all permits for this."

However, she added that trial holes are currently being dug to "assess the level of contamination of the ground which will need to be cleaned up".

She said: "We are working with the site to establish level of contamination."

## Quest team help in care search

A NEW specialist care services business has been launched in Littleport.

Care Home Quest Plus, located on the E-space North business park, has been launched by Greg Brumpton and Colette Grantham, who both have extensive experience in the elderly care sector.

The company aims to offer support, guidance and advice to anyone seeking care services in the region, as well as offering services for both finding care and after the service has been found.

Mr Brumpton said: "Those requiring care and their families are often at a very low ebb when they begin their search for a suitable care service.

"Emotionally, it can be an extremely challenging time when help, guidance, advice and support often seem to be in short supply.

"Care Home Quest Plus aims to alleviate the stress and help you to find the service that suits you best."

For more information, call them on 0845 009 5570 or visit *www.carehomequestplus.com*

## Tiny tots add to hospice funds

CHILDREN at Littleport Community Pre-school have raised £50 for charity.

Staff at the pre-school organised a raffle which raised £25 and the sum was then doubled from pre-school funds.

The cash has been donated to East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH), which has a centre in Milton.

Anna Gridley, a pre-school spokeswoman, thanked everyone for helping them raise the money.

## Arrange a date for floral talk

LITTLEPORT Flower Arrangement Club will hold its AGM on Friday, March 19.

The meeting will be followed by a demonstration from Maureen Amies, entitled 'Travel W.I.S.E'.

The event will be held in the village hall.

Anyone interested in attending, or becoming committee members, should call (01353) 860102 or (01353) 863421.

## Get active at leisure centre

AN over-60s carpet bowls tournament will be held in Littleport on Monday.

The tournament will be on at the Littleport Leisure Centre on Camel Road.

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## Couple's plan for renovation work

A PROPERTY in Ely's Downham Road is set for a revamp.

Mr and Mrs J. Amos have applied for planning permission to demolish their existing garage.

They also want to build a single storey extension to the rear of the property and a loft conversion.

East Cambridgeshire District Council is expected to make a decision on the proposals within the next eight weeks.

To have your say, visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk*

## Out with the old, in with the new . . .

A BUNGALOW in Sutton could be bulldozed to make way for a new property.

Mr and Mrs H. Putter, of Bury Lane, want to demolish their home and build a new dwelling in its place.

They have applied for planning permission to East Cambridgeshire District Council and a decision is expected within the next two months.

For more information, visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk*

## Thieves steal items from van

THIEVES broke into a van while it was parked in Orchard Row, Soham.

The Citroen Relay van was locked when the offenders forced the driver's side door lock and gained entry.

Various items were then stolen from inside.

The incident happened overnight on February 28.

Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

## Garage raiders flee with bike

A BIKE has been stolen from a garage in Ely.

The Apollo mountain bike was taken from a garage in Welland Place some time between February 26 and March 1.

Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

# Tragic crash teen lost control of car

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

A TEENAGER was driving too quickly round a sharp bend before she died as a result of an horrific car crash.

The car Samantha Clarke, 18, was driving swerved onto the other side of the road and collided with an oncoming car, an inquest heard.

Miss Clarke, a sixth-form pupil at the City of Ely Community College, was driving to her first lecture on the morning of October 22 last year when tragedy struck.

The teen, of Main Drove, Little Downham, was driving her red Peugeot 205 along the B1141, Ely Road, when she approached a sharp bend, known locally as the Seven Sisters corner.

It was there that Miss Clarke collided with an oncoming blue Nissan driven by Carol Norman, 63, who lives in the same village.

Mrs Norman, who suffered minor injuries in the collision, gave evidence at the inquest into Miss Clarke's death.

Speaking at Huntingdon Law Courts last Thursday, she said: "I was in my car on my way to work as normal when I saw a red car coming round the corner onto the straight.

"I thought it was being driven too quickly for going round a bend.

"The car was about half a car's width over the centre line in the road when it swerved and left the road.

"It looked like it hit the kerb and I immediately took my foot off the accelerator but the car then wiggled from side to side.

"I said to myself 'You crazy driver' and there was then a tremendous bang and crashing sound, which is when the red car hit me."

Emergency services rushed to the scene and Miss Clarke was freed from her car by fire crews. However, she died nine days later with her family beside her at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge as a result of her injuries.

"Beautiful daughter": Samantha Clarke died nine days after losing control of her car on a bend known as Seven Sisters corner on the B1141.

Miss Clarke's heartbroken family paid tribute to her in the *Weekly News* and described her as a "beautiful and vibrant" daughter.

She left her father Alan Clarke, mother Debbie Norgate, stepmother Lindsay Clarke, step-father Al Norgate, and 23-year-old brother Daniel.

She also left two step-sisters, two half-sisters and a half-brother, to whom her family said she was "very close".

Pc Tim Kirkby, collision investigator, explained how there were no defects with either vehicle that could have led to the collision taking place.

He added: "There were marks on the road to show Samantha's car was not braking at the time of going round the bend.

"The cause of this collision was that she was driving round Seven Sisters bend too quickly and lost control."

David Morris, coroner for South and West Cambridgeshire, recorded a verdict of death from injuries sustained when she lost control of her vehicle and collided with other travelling in the opposite direction.

Miss Clarke, who had a passion for horses, was in her third year at college, where she was taking a health and social care course alongside an AS-level in sociology.

She hoped to become a nurse.

# Careers day for primary pupils

PRIMARY schoolchildren from across the Ely area have been talking about their future careers this week.

A major event called the East Cambridgeshire Primary Careers Convention was due to be held today.

More than 450 local children will be finding out about what jobs they can do when they grow up at a meeting with local and national employers at the City of Ely Community College.

Exhibitors from 14 different industries and professions, including Isle Vet Group, Cambridge Building Society and the Royal Navy, will be talking to Year 5 pupils about their careers.

With recent research showing that career choices for many young people are greatly influenced between the ages of 9 and 12, Year 5 – with pupils aged between 9 and 10 – is deemed the ideal time to introduce children to the wide variety of jobs and career paths available to them later in life.

The convention has been organised by Ely Schools Partnership, Witchford Area Schools Partnership, and the Connexions team from the Cambridgeshire Children and Young People's Services.


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# Society's super silver celebration

**THE Ely Decorative and Fine Arts Society is celebrating its 25th anniversary.**

**And to mark the occasion, a whole host of events have been organised for members to enjoy, ranging from a literary lunch to talks with local poets.**

**The celebrations were outlined at the society's AGM, which saw its president Sylvia Horwood-Smart presenting the retiring treasurer, Phil Parker, with an engraved silver platter to thank him for 25 years service.**

**New members are now being sought to join the society and benefit from the events planned for this year.**

**To find out more, call secretary Sue Holgate on (01353) 668438 or visit *www.elydfas.org.uk***

Silver platter: Mrs Sylvia Horwood-Smart presents retiring treasurer Phil Parker with a special award for his dedicated 25 years service. CP.

# Thief ordered to stay away

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ANOTHER commuting purse snatcher has been banned from entering Ely for two years.

Parashkeva Ivanova, 33, travelled to Ely from North London and targeted elderly people shopping in the city's charity shops.

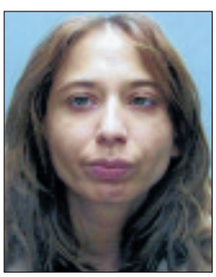
She often struck on Thursdays – which is both pension day and the city's market day.

Ivanova appeared at Cambridge Magistrates' Court last week where she pleaded guilty to an attempted purse theft at Ely's Cancer Research charity shop on October 8 last year.

She was observed trying to steal a purse by two other customers in the shop. She ran away when challenged but was caught by police.

Magistrates imposed a four week prison sentence, to follow a sentence she is currently serving for a purse-snatching offence in London, which expires in June.

An anti social behaviour order (Asbo) banning her from entering Ely will come into effect when she is released from prison in July.



Stay out: an Abso will prevent purse thief Parashkeva Ivanova from entering Ely. CP.

Brian Tully, Asbo co-ordinator for the East Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership, said: "Ivanova is a serial offender who commuted to Ely to commit crime, targeting elderly ladies in charity shops.

"Purse thefts have been an issue in the city centre for some time, and the fact that elderly and vulnerable women were victims underlines the callous nature of these crimes.

"I would ask shoppers to look after their purses, wallets or handbags by keeping them in a safe place.

"At first glance, this may seem an unusual case for an Asbo, because it is a matter of pure crime.

"However, we established a precedent with the first case last year.

"The purpose of anti-social behaviour legislation is to protect the community, and we are doing so by keeping another thief out of the city.

"If she is found in Ely and apprehended, she will be liable to another prison sentence."

The move follows a similar action last October when another thief received an Asbo banning her from entering Ely.

Velichka Hristova, 21, travelled to Ely from Haringey, in London, and also targeted elderly women with shopping trolleys in charity shops.

In addition to the travel ban, magistrates gave her a six-month jail sentence, suspended for two years, and she was ordered to complete 200 hours of unpaid work.

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# Youth group gets cash to fight bad behaviour

BY JORDAN DAY

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YOUNG people in Soham have been given funding from the High Sheriff to tackle anti-social behaviour in the town.

Soham's Young People's Neighbourhood Panel has been awarded a £490 Voluntary Commitment Grant from Cambridgeshire High Sheriff's Award Scheme for the Streetwise Conference Project.

The money will be used by the youth-led group to fund an interactive event in school, including workshops aimed at reducing anti-social behaviour.

The project tackles issues of anti-social behaviour by raising young people's awareness about what it involves and its consequences.

Work around community issues identified the need for the project when it became clear that young people often do not fully understand what anti-social behaviour was.

Nicola King, a locality youth work co-ordinator, said: "Young people often don't realise that things they are doing are perceived as anti-social behaviour.

"This project will help involve them in raising awareness with on town developments, including recommending youth shelter designs and producing materials for Anti-Bullying Week in November.

In the latest anti-social behaviour project, they have worked with peers to change attitudes and raise awareness, as well as sending a clear message to adults and agencies that they need to improve the way they communicate with young people about community issues.

They were due to attend a ceremony in Abbotts Ripton today to receive their award.

## Shelter gives youngsters a place to meet

**A NEW youth shelter has been built in Soham.**

**The facility is located in Soham Recreation Ground and was built in consultation with young people in the town, who gave their thoughts on its design.**

**The shelter was funded by a £5,000 Big Lottery Fund grant and has been provided to allow youngsters to socialise more on the recreation ground.**

**Cllr Allyson Broadhurst, chairman of community services committee at East Cambridgeshire District Council, said: "When we received the funding from the Big Lottery Fund we made the promise to build new innovative equipment in play areas and shelters across the district.**

**"The shelter in Soham was built following consultation with young people, asking them what they wanted and how they would use it.**

**"The shelters that have been built in other areas have given local young people a place where they can safely meet up with their friends and socialise, they have also reduced the perception of anti-social behaviour, which makes a big difference to many vulnerable people."**

**The town council co-ordinated the consultation and implementation of the youth shelter with advice from the district council as part of a project to encourage play for all ages, which was also developed in partnership with the local parish councils.**

It's covered: the new shelter in Soham recreation ground. CP.


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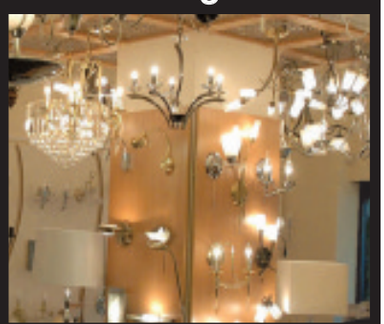

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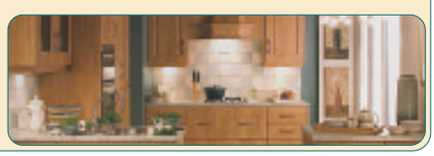

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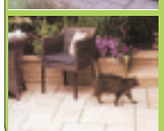

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# Spacious family house enjoys country location

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The property is presented in good decorative order. It offers an entrance hall, cloakroom, study, large living room with feature fireplace, summer room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, master bedroom with en suite, a family bathroom and three further double bedrooms.

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# Four-bed family home down by the riverside

SITUATED in Brandon Bank, Downham Market, is this detached family home.

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This property is on the market for £250,000.

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# Smart semi-detached property with no chain

THIS semi-detached home occupies a cul-de-sac location in Buckthorn, Ely, just over half a mile away from the city centre.

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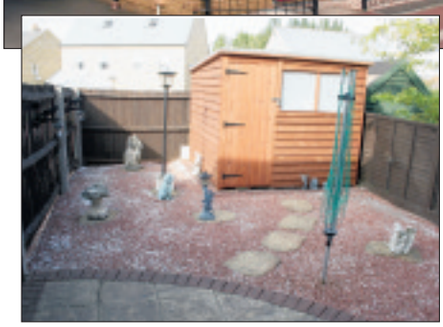

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A charming sympathetically renovated cottage offering spacious accommodation, character features & convenient for rail station. Includes lounge/diner, kitchen, bathroom, 2 dble bedrooms, garden & parking. No upward chain.

NEW

**Sutton** **£139,950**
A 2 bedroom end of terrace home situated on a popular modern development. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge, cloakroom, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, single garage, driveway and gardens.

**Littleport** **£215,000**
An individual detached property comprising spacious hall, lounge/diner, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, bedroom 4 with en-suite or office/studio with independent access, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, ample parking & gardens.

**Soham** **£137,995**
An immaculately presented period terraced home offered for sale with no upward chain. Includes refitted kitchen/dining room, lounge, conservatory, ground floor bathroom, 3 bedrooms and good size rear garden.

**Ely** **£164,950**
A 3 bedroom semi-detached property set in a popular cul-de-sac location and benefiting from a private garden to the rear, garage and off street parking.

NEW SALE AGREED

**Ely**
A charming Victorian home situated close to the city centre & retaining character features. Includes ent hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom & gardens. No upward chain.

NEW

**Sutton** **£134,950**
An immaculately presented character cottage comprising entrance porch, lounge with open fireplace, superb refitted kitchen/dining room, utility/cloakroom, 2 double bedrooms, refitted bathroom, driveway & courtyard garden.

NEW

**Stretham** **£205,000**
A modern detached home finished to a high specification & situated with views across countryside. Comprises ent hall, cloakroom, 23ft kitchen/diner, lounge, study, 3 double bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, driveway & gardens.

**Ely** **£250,000**
An immaculately presented modern family home overlooking a green area and comprising entrance hallway, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, carport, garage & garden.

NEW PRICE

**Sutton** **£185,000**
A charming detached cottage with many superb character features. Spacious accommodation includes lounge, hall/study area, kitchen, dining room, cloakroom, 2 double bedrooms (both en-suite), parking for 2 cars & garden.

**Ely** **£245,000**
A detached family home situated on a popular modern development. Comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/family room, utility, lounge, 4 bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, garage, parking and gardens.

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**Ely** **£152,000**
A period terraced cottage situated in a popular no through road close to the city centre. Includes lounge, kitchen/diner, lobby, 2 bedrooms, bathroom and courtyard garden with brick outbuilding. No upward chain.

NEW PRICE

**Ely** **£167,000**
A modern linked property situated within a popular residential development. Accommodation includes entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, 3 bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, rear garden and parking.

**Ely** **£167,500**
A modern end of terrace home with accommodation that includes entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/dining room, lounge, 3 bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, garden & allocated parking. Viewing recommended.

NEW SALE AGREED

**Ely**
A superbly presented city home well placed for the mainline railway station & city amenities. Briefly comprises lounge, dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms (1 en-suite), shower room, studio/office & landscaped garden.

**Soham** **£147,000**
A modern semi detached house accommodation including entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, parking and gardens.

**Ely** **76% share at £103,500**
A modern mid terrace 2 bedroom home situated in a city location offered for sale on a shared equity basis. The property has the benefit of gas central heating, double glazing and off road parking. Viewing is recommended.

**Little Ouse** **£415,000**
A rural equestrian home with approx 3 acres of paddocks (sts), 15 stables, feedroom, pony box & horse walker. Ent hall, cloakroom, kitchen/brkfst room, boiler room, dining room, lounge, 6 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom & parking.

**Littleport** **£116,000**
A modern end of terrace village home being well presented the accommodation includes entrance hall, kitchen, lounge, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, parking and garden.

**Stretham** **£159,950**
A well presented semi-detached property offered for sale with no upward chain. Ent hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, bathroom, 3 bedrooms, garden measuring 115ft, brick built utility room, front garden, ample off street parking.

**Little Downham** **£177,500**
A well presented end terrace cottage situated in the centre of the village. Comprises ent hall, 23'1" x 11'4" kitchen/diner, inner hall, pantry, bathroom, lounge, 3 double bedrooms, attractive well stocked garden & drive. Viewing essential.

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Modern and well presented two bedroom ground floor flat close to the City centre with gas central heating and allocated parking. Available now.

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Well presented two bedroom terraced house with electric heating, enclosed rear garden and allocated parking. Available now.

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Modern two bedroom semi detached house with gas central heating, double glazing, gardens to front and rear, garage and driveway. Available late March.

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**£550 pcm**
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Terraced two bedroom cottage close to town centre with gas central heating, double glazing and courtyard garden. Available now.

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**£525 pcm**
Newly refurbished three bedroom terraced cottage with gas central heating and garden to the rear. Available late March.

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**£500 pcm**
Newly redecorated two bedroom house with electric heating, enclosed rear garden and allocated parking. Available now.

**MILL CORNER, SOHAM**
**£495 pcm**
Well presented semi detached two bedroom cottage with gas central heating, double glazing throughout and an enclosed rear garden. Available late March.

**CLAY STREET, SOHAM**
**£495 pcm**
Newly refurbished end of terrace two bedroom cottage close to the town centre. With gas central heating and enclosed rear garden. Available now.

**MAIN STREET, LITTLE DOWNHAM**
**£475 pcm**
Mid terraced two bedroom cottage situated in the centre of this popular village with electric storage heating and garden to the rear.

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## PYMOOR £245,000

- Individual detached house
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- Kitchen & utility
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- Open fields to rear

## ELY £264,950

- Detached family home
- Lantern School catchment
- 4 bedrooms
- 2 en-suites
- Fitted kitchen
- Cloakroom & utility
- Lounge
- Garage and garden

## HADDENHAM £325,000

- Substantial detached family home
- Popular village location
- 5 bedrooms
- 2 en-suites
- Lounge, dining room & study
- Kitchen b'fast room
- Views over open countryside
- Double garage

## ALDRETH £439,000

- Spacious family home
- Non estate position
- Situated in a small hamlet
- 4 reception rooms
- Well fitted kitchen breakfast room
- 6 bedrooms
- En-suite and 2 shower rooms

## ELY £304,950

- Detached family house
- Good size corner plot
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite and dressing room to bed 1
- Lounge and dining room
- Conservatory
- Fitted kitchen
- Study & cloakroom

## LITTLEPORT £227,950

- Detached house
- Small development
- Lounge and dining room
- Added conservatory
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Fitted kitchen
- Smartly presented

## DODDINGTON £309,950

- Individual and detached
- Sitting on a large plot
- Rural location
- Lounge with open fireplace
- 4 bedrooms
- Kitchen breakfast room
- Oil central heating
- Garage and ample parking

## ELY £295,000

- Detached family home
- Lantern school catchment area
- 5 bedrooms
- 2 en-suite
- Kitchen breakfast room
- Lounge & dining room
- Tandem double garage
- Brick built office

## ELY £209,950

- Mid terrace townhouse
- Well presented
- Fitted kitchen/diner
- First floor lounge
- 3 bedrooms
- En-suite to bed 1 and 2
- 4th bed/study
- Garage en bloc

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£375,000

**Ely**

City centre location. Modern detached home offering sitting room, dining room, kitchen breakfast room, four bedrooms, ensuite, two bathrooms, garage.

£380,000

**Ely**

Period property with cathedral views, comprising sitting/dining room, kitchen, bathroom, three bedrooms, ensuite, enclosed rear garden, garage.

Offers Over £250,000

**Ely**

Period terrace with access to city centre, railway station & Ely riverside. Offering sitting/ dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom and garden.

£185,000

**Ely**

Family home in St Johns school catchment, offering sitting room, dining room, refitted kitchen & bathroom, three bedrooms, outbuilding & garden.

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**Manea**

Executive family home in the village of Manea, comprising of kitchen, two reception rooms, five bedrooms, ensuite, double garage, gardens.

Offers Over £265,000

**Soham**

Character filled terrace property in good decorative order, offering sitting room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, four bedroom and enclosed rear garden.

Offers over £140,000

**Soham**

Ideal family home, no upward chain, two reception rooms plus modern kitchen/dinner, three bedrooms, family bathroom, off road parking.

Offers Over £220,000

**Soham**

Detached property offering, sitting/dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, three bedrooms.family bathroom, front & rear gardens, single garage.

£167,500

**Soham**

Extended family home offering, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, music/family room, six bedrooms, ensuite shower room, single garage, garden.

£285,000

**Littleport**

Semi rural bungalow ,views across open farmland, sitting/dining room, refitted kitchen, conservatory, two bedrooms, ensuite, bathroom.

OIEO £140,000

**Littleport**

Modern family home offering sitting room, seperate dining room, kitchen, utility, cloakroom, four bedrooms, ensuite, bathroom, gardens, garage.

£150,000

**Littleport**

End terrace property, offering sitting/dining room, kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, garden,off road parking.

£140,000

**Haddenham**

Central village location. Terrace property offering sitting/ dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, private garden, allocated parking.

£115,000

**Littleport**

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Offers over £300,000

**Welney**

Secluded equestrian property, approx 3.5 acres, paddocks, sand school, stable yard, outbuilings, detached three bedroom house.

£375,000

**Brandon Bank**

Individual period property, three reception rooms, kitchen, utility, four bedrooms, bathroom, outbuildings, river mooring, fishing rights.

£250,000

**Little Ouse**

Semi rural property, views across open farmland, comprising sitting room, kitchen, bathroom, three double bedrooms, off road parking, garden.

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**Ely Road** Littleport **£220,000**

**Detached 3 bedroom bungalow on large plot**
The property offers generous accommodation over two floors comprising; Large entrance hall, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, two ground floor bedrooms, bathroom, first floor bedroom with ensuite bathroom, front and rear gardens measuring in excess of 100ft, detached garage and driveway. Must be viewed
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**Millpit Furlong** Littleport **£209,950**

**Extended & refurbished 3 bedroom detached bungalow**
Comprising; Ent hall, kitchen/breakfast room, living room, conservatory, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, rear garden, garage with power & light & driveway providing ample off road parking. The property also offers the potential to extend into the loft space subject to building regs. Viewing highly recommended
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**The Furrow** Littleport **£195,995**

**4 bedroom end of terraced ex show home**
Comprising; Ent hall, cloakroom, kitchen, living/dining room, bathroom & 3 bedrooms with ensuite to bedroom 2 on the 1st floor, master bedroom with ensuite to the 2nd floor, landscaped rear garden & double garage. Includes Carpets, curtains/blinds, light fittings, dishwasher, fridge freezer & washer/dryer. Must be viewed
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**Millfield** Littleport **£265,000**

**Superb detached bungalow in sought after location**
Accommodation is spacious & beautifully presented & comprises; Ent hall, kitchen, utility, dining room, living room, sun room, 3 double bedrooms with ensuite to master, large family bathroom, integral double garage with electric doors, driveway providing ample off road parking & landscaped rear garden. Must be viewed
LITTLEPORT **01353 865910**

**Fishers Bank** Littleport **£169,950**

**Modern semi detached four bedroom family home**
Situated on a generous plot offering spacious accommodation comprising; Ent hall, cloak, kitchen, utility room, living room, dining room, conservatory, 4 bedrooms, ensuite to master, fam bathroom, front & rear gardens, single garage & driveway. Sold with no upper chain an internal viewing is highly recommended.
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**Meadow Court** Littleport **£169,950**

**Semi detached 5 bedroom family home**
Greatly improved and extended by the current owners, offers the following accommodation; Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, cloakroom, 5 bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden with raised patio area, single garage & driveway providing ample off road parking.
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**The Barns** Littleport **£145,000**

**Modern 3 bed semi on popular development**
offered to the market with the benefit of no upper chain and offering spacious accommodation that comprises; Entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, living room, three bedrooms with ensuite shower room to master, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden and two allocated parking spaces.
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**Camel Road** Littleport **£129,950**

**3 bedroom semi in central location**
Comprising; Kitchen, living/dining room, ground floor bathroom, 2 double bedrooms to the first floor and master bedroom with ensuite to the second floor accessed via bedroom 2, enclosed rear garden & driveway. No upper chain and internal viewing is highly recommended.
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**Primrose Lane** Soham **£99,950**

**One bedroom end of terraced in popular village**
Ideally situated for the local shops & amenities, offering easy access to the A14, Cambridge & Ely.Comprising; Living/dining room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, low maintenance garden & allocated parking. Sold with the benefit of no upper chain & is an ideal first time buy or investment opportunity.
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**Black Horse Drove** Littleport **£178,500**

**Detached bungalow set on a generous plot in rural location**
Situated in a rural location with far reaching views this detached bungalow sits on a generous plot & comprises; Large ent hall, living room, dining room/bedroom 4, kitchen, utility room, 3 further bedrooms, fam bathroom, driveway & large rear garden. Requiring some modernisation this must be viewed to appreciate.
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**White House Road** Little Ouse **£114,995**

**Well presented two bedroom home over looking open fields**
Situated in a rural location this well presented home is offered to the market with the benefit of no upper chain and accommodation comprises; Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, two double bedrooms, bathroom, large rear garden with beautiful views and ample off road parking.
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**Black Horse Drove** Littleport **OIEO £140,000**

**Detached 2 bedroom bungalow overlooking farmland**
Recently modernised & improved the property comprises; Ent hall, lounge/diner, conservatory, re fitted kitchen, 2 double bedrooms with ensuite to master, bathroom, detached garage with driveway & gardens to front, rear & side. Benefiting from oil central heating & double glazing throughout & is sold with no upper chain
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**Kings Avenue** Ely **£110,000**

**1 bedroom ground floor apartment in sought after location**
Presented to the market in excellent decorative order throughout offering spacious accommodation that comprises; Entrance hall, living/dining room, fitted kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom and allocated parking. This would make an ideal first time buy or investment opportunity and simply must be viewed.
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**Ely Road** Little Downham **£179,995**

**Modern 3 bedroom family home in popular village**
This modern end of terraced home offers spacious accommodation comprising; Ent Hall, cloakroom, kitchen, Living/Dining Room, 3 double bedrooms with en-suite to large master bedroom, family Bathroom, enclosed rear garden & 2 allocated parking spaces. The property is sold with the benefit of no upper chain.
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**White House Road** Little Ouse **£349,950**

**Beautifully renovated detached bungalow on approx 2/3 acre**
Situated within a rural location & set within approx 2/3 acre (sts) of beautifully maintained garden land this 4 bedroom detached bungalow has been renovated throughout to an exceptionally high standard & offers spacious and well presented accommodation. No upper chain, an internal viewing is strongly recommended.
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**Ground floor two bedroom apartment with neutral décor located in the well served village of Soham, well presented throughout.**
Professional single/couple/2 sharers
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**Littleport £495**

**A delightfully presented Victorian two bedroom end of terrace home located within a short walk from the main Town Centre**
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**A superbly presented modern three bedroom home located to the North side of Ely offering excellent access to Cambridge/Newmarket/Downham Market**
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**Ely £735**

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**A three bedroom semi detached house offering lounge, dining room, kitchen, family bathroom, garden and garage. No Upward Chain.**

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A one bedroom ground floor flat comprising of sitting room, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom. The property is offered for sale with No Upward Chain and an internal viewing is strongly advised.

**Soham**

A 5 bedroom detached house offering two en suites, dining room, lounge, kitchen, cloak room, bathroom, tandem length garage, driveway and gardens. £1000 Cashback Available.

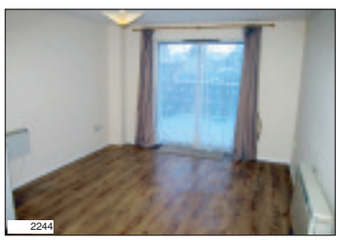
**Ely** **£325,000**

A five bedroom detached house offering lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility, study, cloakroom, en suite, family bathroom, parking, garage and garden.

**Mepal** **£389,995**

A four bedroom end terrace house with en suite, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, cloakroom, first floor bathroom, garage and rear garden. No Upward Chain

**Littleport** **£150,000**




A ground floor studio apartment with garden, bathroom and allocated parking space. The property is located within the village centre and an internal viewing is very strongly advised. No Upward Chain.

**Soham** **£61,500**

An internal viewing is highly recommended for this two bedroom second floor apartment. The property has sitting room, kitchen, bathroom and allocated parking space.

**Ely**

A three bedroom (and box room) semi detached cottage with two reception rooms and front and rear gardens.

In need of complete refurbishment.

No Upward Chain.

**Prickwillow** **£65,000**

A three bedroom semi detached home offering lounge, dining room, kitchen, en suite to master, cloakroom, first floor bathroom, enclosed rear garden, garage and parking.

**Ely**

A well maintained 5 bedroom detached house offering two en suites, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, utility, cloakroom, bathroom, de/garage and views of fields to rear.

**Prickwillow** **£342,000**

Internal viewing is strongly advised for this three bedroom terraced home. The property offers car port, en-suite to master and conservatory, as well as double glazed windows and gas radiator heating.

**Ely** **£179,950**

A three bedroom modern property offering enclosed rear garden, lounge/dining room, cloakroom, double glazing and gas heating. No Upward Chain

**Soham** **£149,950**

A substantial home with 4 bedrooms, balcony & en suite to master, study, family room, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, dining room, utility, cloakroom, bathroom, gardens and double garage.

**Sutton** **£399,995**

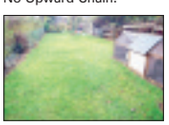
This four bedroom detached bungalow is located within a well regarded close and benefits from double garage, en suite, family bathroom, utility room, ample parking and well maintained gardens.

**Isleham**

This detached property offers four bedrooms, en suite to master bedroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor wc, mature garden and driveway for several vehicles. No Upward Chain.

**Ely** **£295,000**

Situated in a sought after location this three bedroom semi detached house offers two reception rooms, gas heating, double glazing, ample parking, out buildings and a landscaped rear garden. No Upward Chain.



**Mepal** **£182,500**

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## Family Home £152,500

A well presented 3 bedroom spacious family home, situated close to the centre of Littleport.

LITTLEPORT....A three bedroom semi detached home, situated close to the centre of Littleport. The property offers well proportioned accommodation and is presented in good order. Comprises; Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms , Bathroom, Garage, Gardens, Double Glazing & Gas Radiators.

- Semi Detached
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Lounge
- Garage

VIEW TODAY Ref: 5969

## Ideal Location £110,000

Located within the City of Ely this Ground floor apartment is exceptionally well presented throughout and offer a lounge/diner, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom and allocated parking. VIEWING A MUST!

VIEWING A MUST Ref: 6340


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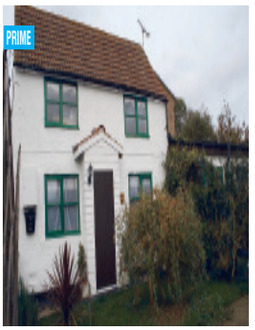
## Quaint OIEO £168,000



SUTTON...This detached two bedroom period property that dating back in some parts 200 years has been modernised. The accommodation offers lounge, kitchen/diner, garden & parking.

VIEW TODAY Ref: 6094

## Location £207,500

MEPAL....A modern detached three bedroom bungalow, situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location, within this pleasant village. The property benefits from conservatory to the rear, and is well presented throughout.

VIEW TODAY! Ref: 6256

## Rural £250,000

PRICKWILLOW...An individual and charming four bedroom detached home, brimming with character.

VIEW NOW Ref: 6042

## Go For It £100,000

SOHAM...A modern two bedroom end terraced home, situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location.

VIEW NOW Ref: 6167

## Can you help?

Mr B has nothing to sell an seeks a four bedroom detached in Ely with double garage up to £300.000

Mrs K is a first time buyer and seeks a two bedroom modern house in Ely with parking

Mr J is sold subject to contract and seeks a detached home with minimum 1/2 acre land and out building up to £350,000

## Modern Home OIEO £140,000

SOHAM...An immaculate two bedroom home, benefitting from two ensuite facilities, situated within this popular development on the edge of Soham. The property is offered chain free.

View Today Ref: 6144

## Ideal! O.I.R.O £152,500

WITCHFORD...A semi detached two bedroom bungalow, situated within a quite location.

VIEW TODAY! Ref: 6153

## Shared Ownership £70,000

SOHAM..50% Shared Ownership of a spacious semi detached home. Offering lounge/diner, kitchen, cloakroom, three bedrooms (two double), family bathroom, enclosed rear garden and allocated parking.

VIEWING A MUST! Ref: 5962

## Family O.I.E.O £165,000

SOHAM...A well presented three/four bedroom, three storey town house. situated within this popular development on the edge of Soham. The property offers good sized accommodation.

VIEW TODAY Ref: 6186

## Chain Free O.I.E.O £145,000

SOHAM...A chain free detached two bedroom modern bungalow, situated in an established location, close to Soham centre. The property is available for early occupation and benefits from parking.

VIEW TODAY! Ref: 6166

## Charming Home £139,950

LITTLEPORT...A rarely available two bedroom bungalow style property, being part of a old school house conversion. situated close to the centre of Littleport with all its amenities.

DONT MISS THIS Ref: 6232

## Generous Gardens £190,000

This detached bungalow is situated on a corner plot with a generous sized garden that is not over looked. In a cul-de-sac location

VIEW TODAY Ref: 6218

## LITTLEPORT

Room for the family - a three bedroom detached home- scope for further improvement. semi rural location- call haart for further information

## LITTLEPORT

Project?? - ideal property for renovation this 3 bedroom detached home is in need of some TLC - Call us now to view!!

## Be Impressed O.I.E.O £335,000

This is a stunning individual four bedroom home, finished to a high specification Fishing lakes in the village & 5mins Ely Station

BARWAY...Situated within a 5-10 minute drive of Ely station, this is a stunning individual four bedroom home, finished to a high specification with features such as built in music centre, water softener,and remote controlled lighting. Entrance Lobby, Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Study, Superbly Appointed Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, 2 En-Suites, Double Garage Gardens & Fishing lakes in the village.

- Detached Family Home
- Lounge
- Four Bedrooms
- Dining Room
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Double Garage

VIEWING TODAY Ref: 6173

## Individual £275,000

HADDENHAM..A detached bungalow, situated on a plot of approx one third of an acre.

GET DIALLING Ref: 5760

## Character £239,950

ELY...An older style three bedroom semi detached home, situated in a prime sought after location.

VIEWING A MUST Ref: 6270

## Individual £167,500

SOHAM...An individual detached three bedroom home, situated in this popular non-estate location.

VIEW TODAY Ref: 6226

## Look! £139,950

LITTLEPORT..IDEAL FIRST TIME BUY!! A two bedroom end of terrace modern home.

VIEWING IS A MUST Ref: 6225

## Just Move In £130,000

SOHAM...A well presented three bedroom semi detached home and benefitting from a garage.

GET DIALLING Ref: 6204

## Perfect! £127,500

LITTLEPORT....We are pleased to offer for sale this well presented two bedroom terrace home,

VIEW TODAY Ref: 6282

## Modern O.I.E.O £169,995

SOHAM...An immaculate three bedroom three storey semi detached home. The property offers good sized accommodation throughout, and needs to be seen to be appreciated.

GET DIALLING Ref: 5984

## Family O.I.E.O £146,000

SOHAM....Semi detached family home, offering three bedrooms, kitchen/diner, lounge, bathroom with no upward chain. Situated in the town of Soham which offers schools, shops and amenities.

VIEW TODAY Ref: 5859

## Great Location £179,995

Semi detached house situated in a popular area of Ely, ideally located for access to St.Johns School. The accommodaiton is in good condition and offers a wealth of spacious rooms, rear garden with access to a single garage & driveway.

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## CHATTERIS £285,000

MUST BE VIEWED

Executive detached family home with annexe briefly comprising, entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, lounge, dining/family room, study, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, three further bedrooms, family bathroom. Annexe accommodation comprising bed/sitting room, kitchen and shower room. The property also benefits from central heating, double glazing, enclosed garden, double garage and parking.

## RED LODGE £169,995

NEW

Established semi-detached family house in cul-de-sac location comprising entrance lobby, lounge/dining room, kitchen/dining room, utility room, down stairs shower room three bdrooms, bathroom, gardens, garage and parking.

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## SOHAM £189,995

UNDER OFFER

MORE NEEDED

Well presented modern detached family home comprising, entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, fitted kitchen/dining room, master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, family bathroom, gas fired heating, double glazing, garage, parking and gardens.

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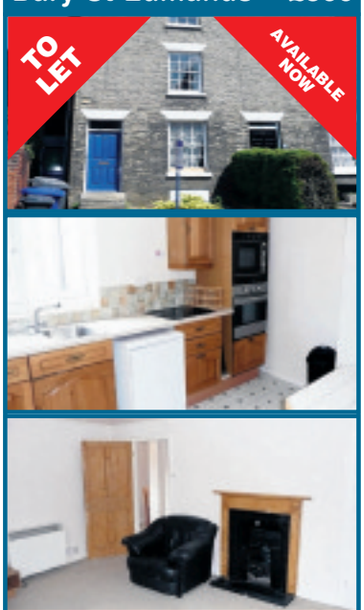
## MILDENHALL £800 PCM

Established mid terraced house located on the edge of a popular development comprising, reception hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, gardens and garage.

## RED LODGE £800 PCM

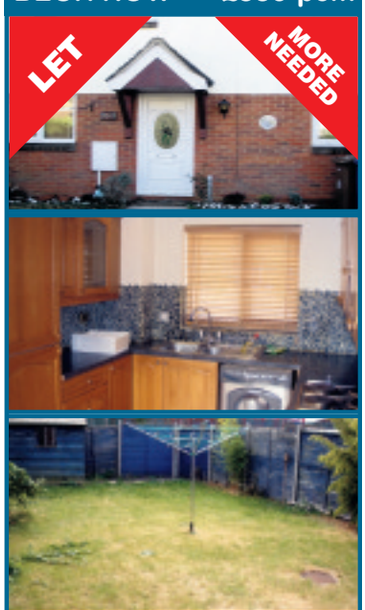
Spacious family house in cul-de-sac location available now, entrance lobby, lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen/dining room, utility room, downstairs shower room, three bedrooms and bathroom, good sized rear garden, garage and parking.

## Bury St Edmunds £500




First floor apartment located within walking distance of the Town Centre of Bury St Edmunds.
In brief comprising, lounge, kitchen/dining room, bathroom and double bedroom, electric heating garden to rear.

## BECK ROW £550 pcm




Terraced house comprising entrance hall, lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms, family bathroom, garden and parking.

## IMPINGTON £650 pcm

Modernised ground floor 1 bedroom flat comprising entrance hall, double bedroom, bathroom, lounge/dining room, fully fitted kitchen, double glazing,

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## ELY

A modern mid terraced house well situated on this popular development about one mile from the City Centre. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Fired Radiator Central Heating, D.G., Shallow Front Garden Area, Rear Garden, Garage & Driveway Parking.

O/A £172,500

## MEPAL

A spacious modern detached bungalow of good proportions overlooking a large open green in this sought after cul de sac development. Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Three Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room to Master Bedroom, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, Solar Panel Hot Water Heating, Garage and Driveway Parking, Gardens.

O/A £210,000

## ELY
O/A £395,000

A spacious attractive modern detached bungalow situated in a small select cul de sac within easy distance of the City Centre. Entrance Hall, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Dining Room, Sitting Room, Four Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Utility Area, GFCH., D.G., Gardens, Driveway Parking & Garage.

## LITTLE DOWNHAM O/A £189,950

An improved well presented detached house with spacious accommodation well situated in a corner of a small cul de sac. Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Area, Utility Area, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Single Garage, Gardens. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

## LITTLEPORT O/A £174,950

A delightful older style three bedroom detached cottage with many charming features situated on the edge of the village close to the river and main line railway station.

## WITCHAM O/A £360,000

A substantial individual detached residence standing on a delightful large plot approaching a fifth of an acre (subject to survey), in the centre of this popular village. Reception Hall, Study, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Garden Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Cloakroom, Utility Room, Four Bedrooms, En-Suite, Bathroom, Shower Room, Study/Bedroom Five, Oil Fired Central Heating, Gardens, Driveway Parking.

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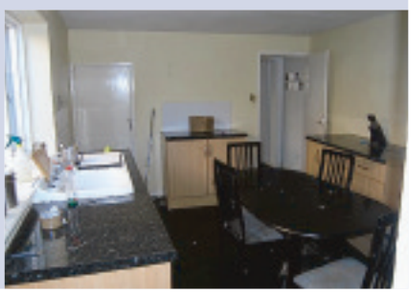
## ELY
O/A £150,000

A two bedroom terrace cottage in need of some modernisation situated in a near central location with views of Ely Cathedral to the rear.

Front Sitting Room, Inner Lobby, Kitchen/Dining Area, Rear Entrance Hall, Ground Floor Bathroom, Landing, Partial Electric Heating(not tested), Rear Garden.



## PYMOOR

A residential site of about 0.78 Hectares (1.87 Acres) (subject to survey) with Planning Permission for 8 spacious individual detached properties.

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## ELY

A superbly appointed attractive modern detached residence which lies within a highly regarded development approximately one mile from the centre of Ely. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Four Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, GCH., Gardens, Driveway, Garage.

O/A £320,000

## LITTLEPORT

A 4 bedroom detached chalet style house being built by BUCKINGHAM & SPARROW LIMITED. Entrance Porch & Hall, Cloakroom, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Dining Room, Sitting Room, Study, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Gardens, Garage, NHBC.

O/A £250,000

## SOUTHERY

An appealing double fronted three bedroom period farmhouse set on a large plot with beautifully landscaped gardens backing onto the river Great Ouse. Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, GF Shower Room, Garden Room, Bathroom, Oil Fired Central Heating, Gardens, Parking.

O/A £240,000

## HADDENHAM
O/A £154,950

An extended semi detached cottage with deceptively spacious versatile accommodation and 108' rear garden situated. Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Living Room, Rear Reception/Dining Room/Bedroom 3, Ground Floor Bathroom, Two FF Bedrooms, C.H., D.G., Garage & Parking.

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## LITTLE DOWNHAM O/A £315,000

A delightful modernised 3 bedroom detached cottage with spacious accommodation standing on just under 3/4 of an acre (sts) with gardens and outbuildings, plus a grass field of just over 1 acre (sts) situated in rural surroundings (suitable for equestrian use).

## ELY SHARED OWNERSHIP £99,995

A spacious well presented mid terraced two bedroom property offered for sale on a 76% Shared Ownership basis making this an ideal purchase for a First Time Buyer. Living Room, Kitchen/Dining Room, Bathroom, Front & Rear Gardens, Reserved Parking Space.

## LITTLEPORT O/A £395,000

An impressive quality built exceptionally spacious individual four/five bedroom detached residence with attached double garage standing on a delightful plot of about 1/4 of an acre and is situated in a highly regarded location.

Spacious Reception Hall, Cloakroom, 3 Reception Rooms, Conservatory, Master Bedroom with extensive fitted cupboards and En-Suite Bathroom.

## LITTLE DOWNHAM

A delightful spacious individual three bedroom detached residence with garage and patking tucked away in a corner with a large green area to the front and superb far reaching views from the first floor.

O/A £280,000

## LITTLEPORT

TWO exceptionally spacious four bedroom semi detached houses, being built in a cul de sac location by BUCKINGHAM & SPARROW Ltd., Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Kitchen, Utility Room, Dining Room, Sitting Room, En-Suite to Master Bedroom, Bathroom, Garage, NHBC.

£220,000

## MEPAL
## O/A £360,000

An imposing individual detached residence with large gardens and extensive parking situated in a prominent corner location in the village centre. Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Utility Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Landing, Four Double Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Double Garage with Workshop, Delightful Large Gardens.

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## HADDENHAM

A four bedroom spacious modern detached residence well located on a corner situation in this small select cul de sac. Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Study, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Two En-Suites, Family Bathroom, Garage & Parking.

£1,250 pcm

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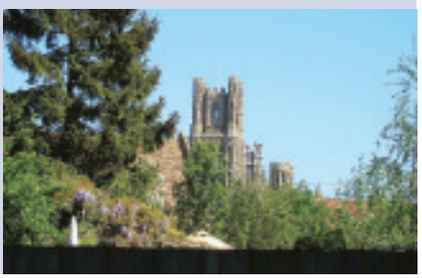
## ELY

An impressive well appointed three storey, four bedroom townhouse, which lies within an exclusive cul de sac development literally a few minutes walk from the centre of Ely and the Kings School. Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen, En-Suite Shower Room to Master Bedroom, Bathroom, Gardens, Garage & Driveway Parking.

£1,150 pcm

AVAILABLE 1ST APRIL - UNFURNISHED



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## MEPAL

A semi detached bungalow which is offered in good decorative order throughout with the benefit of double glazing. Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, Utility Lobby, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Good Sized Rear Garden.

£550 pcm

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY - UNFURNISHED

## SOHAM

A modern detached three bedroom property in an appealing cul de sac situation. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Garage, Driveway Parking, Front and Rear Gardens

## ELY

A well appointed, modern three bedroom detached property towards the end of an appealing cul de sac situation approximately half a mile from the City Centre. Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Front and Rear Gardens, Garage, Parking. NO PETS, NO CHILDREN.

£825 pcm

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY - UNFURNISHED

# The **experts** on your doorstep

## WILBURTON £500,000

**An imposing six bedroom detached family home commanding an enviable location.**

Cloakroom, family/playroom, lounge, superb kitchen /dining room,landing, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, guest bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, separate shower and cloakroom, large enclosed lawned garden, gated driveway, off road parking, double garage, D/G, OCH.

## STUNTNEY £675,000

**A unique opportunity to acquire an individually designed detached family residence of approximately 4100 sq ft.**

Dining room, kitchen/dining/family room, sewing room/bedroom, study, basement, games room, workshop, store room, lounge, master bedroom with en-suite, guest bedroom, guest shower room, laundry room, family bathroom, three further bedrooms, office/bedroom, double garage, driveway, grounds of approx 1/2 acre (sts), GCH.

## LITTLEPORT

**A substantial detached family home situated in the heart of this well served village.**

Cloakroom, drawing room, family room, study, kitchen/dining room, master bedroom with en-suite, four further bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, GCH, D/G, driveway, rear garden.

**Guide price £320,000**

## LITTLEPORT

**A highly individual spacious detached residence newly built to a high specification.**

2 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, cloakroom, 3 double bedrooms with en-suites, 2 second floor bedrooms, family bathroom, double garage/office space, oil C/H.

**£485,000**

## HADDENHAM

**A period detached residence set within the centre of the well regarded village.**

Dining room, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, two cellar rooms, master bedroom with en-suite, bedroom two with en-suite, bathroom, OCH, D/G, garden, d/garage, parking.

**£325,000**

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## ELY

**A very well presented four bedroom detached property situated approximately one mile from the City Centre.**

Cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, landing, four bedrooms, luxury family bathroom, D/G, GCH, landscaped rear garden, double garage, driveway.

**£294,995**

## ELY

**£325,000**

**A superb three storey five bedroom family home offering deceptively spacious accommodation.**

Cloakroom, study, fitted kitchen and utility room, family/dining roomsitting room, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, family bathroom, shower room, D/G, GCH, double garage and carport, enclosed rear garden.

## WITCHFORD

**An extended three/four bedroom detached bungalow with versatile accommodation set in a quiet location.**

Lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room, cloakroom, garden room, office/bedroom four, family bathroom, integral garage, workshop, driveway, enclosed rear garden, shed, electric storage heating, D/G.

**£290,000**

NEW

## LITTLE DOWNHAM

**£350,000**

**An impressively spacious family home with superb panoramic views over open paddocks and countryside.**

Cloakroom, study, lounge, summer room, fitted kitchen, dining room, utility room, landing, master bedroom with en-suite, three further double bedrooms, family bathroom, D/G, underfloor and gas radiator heating, lawned garden, ample off road parking.

## ELY

**An immaculate five bedroom detached family home with accommodation over three floors situated within the catchment area for the 'Lanterns' Primary School.**

Cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite, bathroom, bathroom, lawned front garden, double garage, driveway, south facing rear garden.

**£319,950**

# The **experts** on your doorstep

## HADDENHAM £285,000

**This well presented detached bungalow sits within private walled gardens in the popular village of Haddenham.**

Reception hall, cloakroom, open plan lounge/dining room, kitchen, rear hall, utility room, conservatory, two double bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, garden room, ample off road parking, garage, secure caravan space, private walled gardens, D/G, electric storage heating.

## STRETHAM

**A well presented four bedroom detached family home situated in the heart of the much sought after village of Stretham.**

Cloakroom, lounge, dining room, playroom/study, fitted kitchen, four bedrooms, bathroom, OCH, D/G, private rear garden, tandem garage, off road parking.

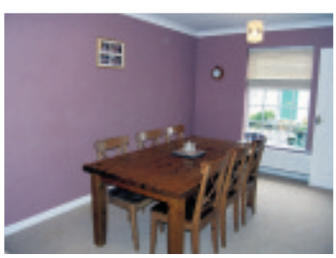
**£250,000**

## ELY

**A superb four bedroom three storey townhouse forming part of a select development built by Freshwater Estates (UK) Ltd on Cambridge Road.**

Entrance hall, ground floor shower room, ground floor bedroom, lounge,superb fitted kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, bathroom, GCH, D/G, enclosed courtyard garden, secure parking.

**£275,000**



## ELY £325,000

**A well presented and spacious four bedroom family property with self contained annexe situated in a much sought after residential development.**

Main House: entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen and utility area, galleried landing, master bedroom with en-suite, three further bedrooms and family bathroom, Annexe Accommodation: ground floor reception study, first floor lounge, double bedroom, kitchenette, bathroom, Outside: enclosed rear garden, carport.

## SUTTON

**A spacious and very well presented detached family home set within the well served village of Sutton.**

Cloakroom, dining room, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, rear garden, garage, driveway, GCH, D/G, no upward chain.

**£250,000**

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## HADDENHAM

**A well proportioned detached bungalow in need of some cosmetic updating situated on a generous plot.**

Lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility area, cloakroom, bathroom, LPG heating system, D/G, garage, established gardens, sought after village location.

**£250,000**

## SOHAM

**A charming detached period cottage set in a quiet location overlooking Qua Fen Common to the front and grassland to the rear.**

Lounge with real burning fireplace, sitting room/family room, re-fitted kitchen/dining room, utility room, ground floor shower/wet room, landing, three bedrooms, family bathroom, good size rear garden overlooking grassland, driveway, D/G, GCH, no upward chain.

**£250,000**

## ELY

**A well presented four bedroom detached family home situated in a highly sought after residential development within the City of Ely.**

Cloakroom, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, GCH, D/G, rear garden, garage, ample parking.

**£249,950**

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## LITTLEPORT

**A five bedroom family home set over three floors with spacious and bright accommodation.**

Cloakroom, dining room, lounge with patio doors onto the rear garden, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, second floor landing, two bedrooms, shower room, double garage, parking, enclosed rear garden, GCH, D/G.

**£242,500**

## ELY

**A spacious four bedroom family home with double garage situated on this popular residential development.**

Cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, dining room, lounge, master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, double garage, driveway, enclosed rear garden, GCH, D/G, no upward chain.

**£239,995**

## HADDENHAM

**A very well presented home situated in the popular village of Haddenham which has been thoughtfully extended and finished to a high standard.**

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## Caravan site appeal

A CARAVAN could be pitched in Wicken.
Mrs K. Hemingfield, of North Street, has applied for planning permission to site the new caravan at her home.
East Cambridgeshire District Council is expected to make a decision on the plans within the next eight weeks.
To have your say, visit *www.eastcambs.gov.uk*

## Thieves take licence plates

BOTH licence plates on a car were stolen while it was parked in Plains Lane, Littleport.
The owner of the Vauxhall Vectra had left it at the front of his home, locked and secured.
He discovered the plates had been taken on February 24.
Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

## Raiders steal from shed

THIEVES broke into a shed in Littleport by forcing the padlock from the door.
Once inside, they then stole property from inside.
The incident happened in Wisbech Road overnight on Monday, March 1.
Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

## Smash and grab attack

A SAT-NAV was stolen from a car while it was parked in Beresford Road, Ely.
Thieves smashed their way into the vehicle before stealing the item from the glove-box.
The theft happened some time between February 28 and March 2.
Anyone with any information should call police on 0345 4564564.

## Preview of auction items

ELY'S regular antique and general auction will be held on Saturday.
Everything from ceramics to pictures to antique furniture will be going under the hammer at Rowley's on Downham Road.
The auction starts at 10.30am, with viewing tomorrow from 9am-7pm.
For more information, call (01353) 653020.

## Car goes from drive

A MOTORIST got a shock after waking up to find their car had been stolen from the front drive.
The Ford Fiesta was stolen from Columbine Road, Ely, overnight on February 28.
Anyone who saw anything suspicious should call police on 0345 4564564.

Generous gift: from left, club president Peter Holmes, Jonathan and Rebecca James, of Budgens, Soraya and Paul Landini, of Blue Donkey, and Jacqueline Whipp, of Magpas, with the cheque. CP.

# Club's gift to help Magpas keep saving lives

**MEMBERS of Soham Staploe Rotary Club have raised almost £1,500 for emergency medical charity Magpas.**

**Club president Peter Holmes presented a cheque for £1,332.04 to the managing trustee of Soham's Magpas first responder scheme, Jacqueline Whipp, at the Cherry Tree pub.**

**The money was raised during December in the club's street collection in the Blue Donkey forecourt on the High Street and at Budgens supermarket.**

**To keep the town's five first responder volunteers operating for a year costs the charity £2,000 in basic running costs for training and disposables.**

**Over the last year the service has responded to more than 300 calls, including 11 cardiac arrests.**

# Top boxers get about for finals

THE cream of the region's boxers will descend on Littleport next weekend.

The Amateur Boxing Association of England Ltd (ABAE) Eastern Counties finals will be held at the town's All Comers Club on Saturday, March 20.

The matches, set to take place at 7.30pm, marks the first time the ABAE finals have come to East Cambridgeshire, acknowledging the strength of the sport in the district.

East Cambridgeshire District Council and the Ely, Littleport and Witchford Youth Team, created the district's All Comers Boxing Club last year to help young people get fit and healthy.

The club, which is now supported by the Rural Communities Development Team, is open to all ages and sexes at the Littleport Leisure Centre, now has more than 60 members who are thriving under the guidance of professional coaches.

Tom Hickson, the district council's sports development office, said: "The Eastern Counties Boxing Finals are one of the most prestigious events to take place in the boxing calendar and it is a real honour for them to come to East Cambridgeshire.

"It is a mark of how seriously the ABAE take the recent development of the sport in the district.

"Our boxing club has grown from strength to strength in the last year and many young people who had low self esteem and poor health have thrived on the improved fitness and health benefits by being part of a structured club.

"I hope lots of people take the chance to come along to the finals and cheer on our local boxers."

For more information about the event, call (01354) 680469 or to book tickets call (01353) 777189.

# Hospital headache for users of new bus route

BY JORDAN DAY

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BUS users in the Ely area are still not happy.

Residents are demanding to know why a new bus service in the city cannot drop them off at Princess of Wales Hospital.

The outcry comes following the announcement that Ely's popular 9A city circular route was being brought back.

As reported in the *Weekly News*, there was widespread anger last month when major bus operating company Stagecoach announced it could no longer afford to run various routes across the region.

Among the services affected in Ely were the 9A town service, which was set to be axed, and the X9 and 9 routes between Ely and Cambridge, which are now only operating hourly at off-peak times.

However, Cambridge-based travel company Go Whippet has now stepped in to take on the 9A route, under contract of Cambridgeshire County Council.

The service has been renamed the number 19 and will run from Ely's Market Street, taking in all routes up to Cambridge Road and back again.

However, the route does not include the city's hospital or railway station on Angel Drove, forcing people to change buses to get to those destinations.

Cllr Philip Eden, the City of Ely Council's transport representative, is demanding answers.

He said: "Obviously it is good news that the 9A service has been brought back and everyone is grateful for that.

"We now need to make sure we use the buses enough to keep such services in place.

"However, people certainly are not happy that the route doesn't include the hospital or Angel Drove.

"I know that the law states that you cannot stop in an area which is already covered by another bus operator, which Stagecoach does at Angel Drove.

"But if it could stop further up near the railway station I cannot see how that would cause problems.

"The fact there are no services going to the hospital is bad and people are complaining.

"We need a service that enables people to get on a bus anywhere in the city and get off anywhere, meaning they can travel to all parts at ease."

Cllr Eden and residents also blasted the county council when the cuts were introduced for the lack of consultation that was carried out.

Residents were given just 15 days to have their say on the proposed changes before they were introduced.

Paul Nelson, the county council's local passenger transport manager, said: "When Stagecoach announced they would no longer run the 9A service we thought it would be very difficult to save any of the journey.

"However, through detailed analysis of the route we managed to save and subsidise the service which is now called the 19 and run by Go Whippet.

"However, rules laid down by the Department of Transport mean that the county council cannot support a service which would compete with an existing commercial service, in this case the Stagecoach 9 which runs from Ely's town centre to the hospital.

"While this is not an ideal situation, residents can still get to the hospital by bus on the number 9."

# Jail time for man who fathered child with girl

A MAN has been sentenced to 18 months in prison for having sex with a girl from the age of 14 and fathering her child.

Richard Hearn, 23, admitted two counts of sexual activity with a child when he appeared for sentencing at Cambridge Crown Court last week.

The two offences took place when the victim, now aged 18, was between 14 and 16 years old. Hearn is almost five years older that his victim.

Jonathan Seely, prosecuting, said: "The defendant admitted he had sexual intercourse with the girl when she was 14."

He said Hearn, of Linwood Place, March, admitted he had not used contraception when he had sex with the girl at a house in March and on a houseboat.

Mr Seely said Hearn told police that there had been "five or six" sexual encounters and three led to full sexual intercourse.

The court heard that Hearn paid £100 a month towards the care of the baby girl, now aged 2, but she is currently in the care of social services.

Charles Langley, mitigating, said Hearn had pleaded guilty at the earliest opportunity and had made admissions to the police beyond the information his victim had given to officers. He said the sex had been consensual.

BY JOHN DOWNING

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He said: "Mr Heard understands that what he did was very wrong. At the time he did not fully appreciate the seriousness of his actions.

"He is someone who made a terrible mistake in his formative years. Now he shows remorse."

He said Hearn was a hard worker of previously good character. He is in a stable relationship and his partner is three months pregnant.

Judge Nicholas Coleman told Hearn: "You pleaded guilty to two offences. You are unlikely to do this sort of thing again.

"You are, I'm told, remorseful and also a hardworking young man. When the child was born, you maintained the child. The child is now in care.

"She (the victim) was 14 and you were 18. I do not accept that you thought it was right to have a relationship.

"A prison sentence must follow – an immediate one."

Hearn was sentenced to 18 months in prison for each offence, to run concurrently, of which he will serve half.

Creative: pupils with John Lyons. Below, a Fen tiger.

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## Budding artists spring into workshops

**SPRING was in the air when children at Sutton Primary School were treated to a fun-filled arts event called Fen Tiger Tales.**

**The workshop involved local artists John Wiltshire, John Lyons and Geoff Williams and was organised by Vital Communities to celebrate the longer and lighter days.**

**The organisation is running a range of events at primary schools across Cambridgeshire over the next fortnight to celebrate the start of spring.**

**Susan Potter, project manager at Vital Communities, said: "One of our aims is to get young and old making and learning together, while the programme has also been looking at bigger issues including our developing communities in the Eastern region and inter-generational relationships, bringing all members of the community together in exciting and creative ways."**

**Another event was held at Ely St Mary's Junior School yesterday.**

**To find out more about Vital Communities, call Susan on (01223) 718013 or email *susan.potter@cambridgeshire.gov.uk***

## Nearly new sale for NCT

RESIDENTS are being reminded about a bumper nearly new sale being held in Ely on Saturday.

The Isle of Ely branch of the National Childbirth Trust (NCT) will hold the sale at the City of Ely Community College from 10.15am-12.30pm.

Everything from cots to clothes and toys will be on sale and all profits go directly to the NCT.

The NCT Ely branch provides antenatal classes and baby groups, as well as training for antenatal teachers and a breastfeeding counsellor.

At a national level, the NCT campaigns for many issues surrounding birth and early parenting, allowing parents to make their own informed choices for themselves and their children.

For more information about the sale or the NCT, call Sarah Bell on (01353) 663243.

## Vandals attack garden fence

YOBS have damaged a garden fence in Littleport.

The culprits tore numerous panels from the fence in Hempfield Place.

The damage was caused some time between 7.45pm and 9pm on March 4.

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# Surprise at impact of History

History repeating: from the current production of *The History Boys* and, inset, Alan Bennett.

ALAN Bennett has a rare gift of effortlessly combining intellect with humour, tenderness and an almost homespun charm.

His national treasure status is well earned: Bennett is a household name attracting huge audiences at rare public appearances. When he came to Ely in 2006, as part of an event held at Ely Cathedral, organised by bookseller Robert Topping, fans were queuing around the block, and the cathedral was packed with more than 1,100 fans keen to hear Bennett read from his personal diaries. He's a man who strikes a chord.

*The History Boys*, which has opened at Cambridge Arts Theatre for a 12-day run, is now celebrated as a modern theatre classic – but the impact of the play came as a huge surprise to the writer.

"The success of *The History Boys* is still a source of wonder to me really," Bennett says. "When you're young, you don't think about it. Like the boys in the play – they think it's quite natural for something to do so well on Broadway. We were the same."

Originally opening at the National Theatre in 2004, *The History Boys* is set in a sixth form in the north of England where a bunch of boisterous and bright boys are attempting to gain entrance to Oxford and Cambridge while coping with the varied distractions of youth.

When Bennett wrote the play, he was told by the National's director, Nicholas Hytner, that it would probably last for around 80 performances and end there, as it lacked wide appeal.

He could not have been more wrong. After *The History Boys* opened, word-of-mouth spread fast and the play became a critical and popular hit, winning the *Evening Standard* Award for Best Play of the Year 2004, the Laurence Olivier Award for Best Play 2005 and, on Broadway, the 2006 Tony Award for Best Play.

Hytner was pleasantly surprised to be proved wrong and remained on-board when the play was made, with the entire original cast, into the award-winning film of the same name in 2006.

"We all had such a good time doing it," recalls Bennett. "The film is a very good account of the play. It may be a touch sadder, actually, but it's still very funny."

Bennett came to Cambridge in 1953, learning Russian at the Joint Services School for Linguistics, founded in 1951 by the armed services to provide language training to selected conscripts undergoing National Service.

Bennett was offered a place at Sidney Sussex College but won a scholarship to attend Exeter College, Oxford, where he gained a First in History.

His writings offer food for thought, often coloured by humour, and show Bennett to be concerned about issues and events close to his heart. His ramblings hover on subjects and characters easily overlooked in the mainstream and embrace moments of dull ordinariness that, for Bennett, offer an opportunity for engaging narrative, sharp wit and an observant eye.

In his book *Untold Stories*, a personal piece including extracts from his diaries, published in 2005, Bennett writes movingly about his mother's depression.

He assumed this autobiographical work would be released posthumously, after he was diagnosed with cancer, but the writer survived the illness and chose not to make changes to the manuscript for publication.

Bennett also mentions Ely Cathedral in the book and how much he admires it: "It's not like any other cathedral in England – it's more like an Italian cathedral. But we tend to take it for granted because it's always been there. If you saw it in Pisa you'd think it was the most wonderful building in the world."

Kettle's Yard, in Cambridge, also gets a mention and Bennett is obviously impressed: "It's so inspiring. And it's one of the few places where I feel I could actually live; you never feel that in a country house or a museum."

Bennett fans will take delight in *The History Boys* forming part of the Cambridge Arts Theatre's spring programme. The play was a sell-out at the Arts when it showed in 2007 and the forthcoming Theatre Royal Bath production is shaping up for similar success.

The play contrasts the educational styles of two teachers: Irwin is from the fact-packing Gradgrind school of teaching, keen to pour facts into the group of boys preparing for their Oxbridge history entry exams, while Hector shuns the idea of examinations, preferring to inspire his students and challenge their minds.

When the play opened at the National Theatre, a debate on the role of examinations, grades and targets in education was sparked and Bennett expressed his opinions, especially on the role of history in the curriculum: "I think the notion of scrapping history as a subject is mad – it's just insane."

■ **The History Boys, Cambridge Arts Theatre, until Saturday, March 20 at 7.45pm (plus Saturday matinees at 2.30pm). Tickets £10-30. Contact: (01223) 503 333 / *www.cambridgeartstheatre.com***

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## Comedy shines bright at CB2

IF A reviewer said you "shone out like an emerald in a cowpat" would you take offence? Mary Bourke didn't.

The soft spoken comic, who has a fabulous way with words, is this month's headliner at CB2 Comedy and she's just one very good reason to come down to have a laugh.

There are four others, too.

Gary Colman is the only stand up to have served with the SAS and now takes his tales of life, love and war to appreciative audiences up and down the country.

Lee Grant is a musical comedian who has received plaudits for his dark humour and faultless timing. They're both joined on the bill by Darren Harriott and Lovdev Barpaga.

Comperes will be Jane Hill and Rob Coleman, whose double act shows signs of not being quite as bad as it used to be.

This laughter extravaganza takes place on Wednesday, March 17, at CB2, Norfolk Street, Cambridge from 8pm

To book, call 07889 176050, or visit *www.wegottickets.com/event/71952*

## Sing along with choral experts

A SPECIAL "singing day" for local schoolchildren will be held by Cambridge's Jesus College Choir next week.

Aspiring singers aged 6-11 can enjoy workshops with vocal experts and take part in a concert with the boy choristers of Jesus College and the girl choristers of St Catharine's College.

Best of all, no musical experience is required and all are welcome to the afternoon on Saturday, March 20.

For further information, or to request a booking form, email *choir@jesus.cam.ac.uk*

# Night of disco to say thanks for the music

COME say "thank you for the music" as the world of ABBA and the Bee Gees collide in a spectacular disco explosion.

Cambridge fans of the legendary kings and queens of classic pop will be among the first to enjoy a brand-new show celebrating 40 years of ABBA hits with the original ABBA concert show, *Thank You For The Music*.

Now in its 17th year, *Thank You For The Music* has been entertaining the nation for even longer than Bjorn, Agnetha, Benny and Frida did during the 1970s and 80s!

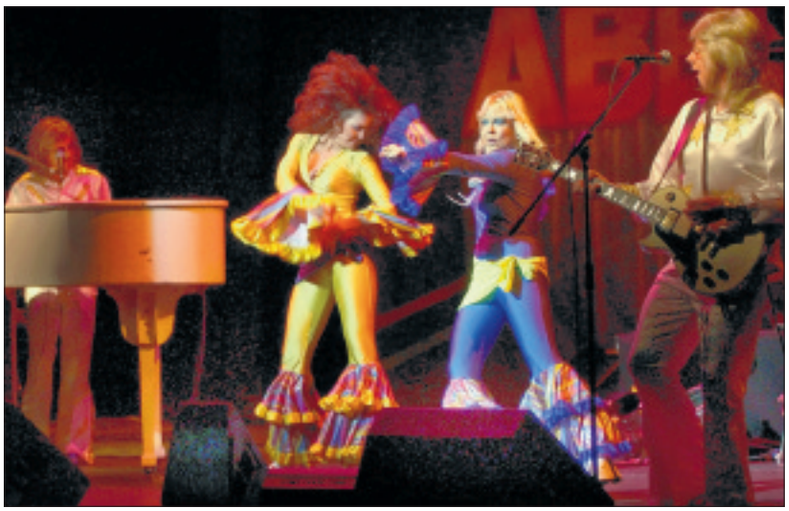
And to celebrate, a completely new show takes to the road and will be stopping in all its sequined and spandex glory at the Corn Exchange on Friday, March 19.

ABBA Magic will be performing chart toppers including *Mamma Mia, Dancing Queen, Super Trouper, Waterloo* and *Winner Takes it All*

But that's not all.

Bee Gees Magic will join the party with number one hits like *Stayin' Alive, Massachusetts, Night Fever, How Deep is Your Love,* as well as classics written for other artists such as *Islands in the Stream, Heartbreaker* and *Chain Reaction*.

Original ABBA members Anni-Frid Lyngstad (Frida), Bjorn Ulvaeus, Benny Andersson and Agnetha Faltskog first came together in 1970. After winning the Eurovision Song Contest with the single *Waterloo* in 1973, the quartet went on to record 19 top 20 hits, topping the charts on no less than nine occasions.



Martin Spooner, who plays Bjorn in the show, said: "Few bands can claim to have made as big an impact on British pop music history.

"Their million-selling hits are eternal. ABBA's music is as popular today as it was in their 70s and 80s heyday. Thank You For The Music continues this incredible legacy."

**Thank You For The Music, Cambridge Corn Exchange Friday, March 19, 7.30pm. Tickets £19.50, £21. Call (01223) 357851 or visit *www.cornex.co.uk***

Disco dancin': ABBA Magic and Bee Gees Magic unite for *Thank You For The Music*, which comes to Cambridge next week.

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## Share the Passion of Easter

**THE ever-popular Fairhaven Singers will perform Bach's *St John Passion* in the majestic surroundings of St John's College Chapel, Cambridge next week.**

**They will be joined by professional baroque ensemble The Parley of Instruments and some hot young soloists for a vivid performance of Bach's portrayal of the Easter story based on St John's gospel.**

**From the arresting opening bars to the last chorale, *St John Passion* is an enthralling and moving work. The young soloists, selected for their clarity of tone and musical verve, will take on the emotional arias that punctuate the unfolding gospel narrative.**

**The role of the Evangelist will be sung by Simon Wall, who has premiered works for John Tavener, sung solos at the BBC Proms, and appeared with Sir John Eliot Gardiner and the Monteverdi Choir. Christus will be sung by bass-baritone Edward Grint, having recently graduated from King's College, he has already sung with the BBC Singers, the Tallis Scholars and the City of London Sinfonia.**

**The other soloists are the stellar line-up of Eleanor Cramer, David Clegg, Julian Forbes and Adam Green.**

**Tickets for the concert, on Saturday, March 20, at 7.30pm, are priced at £22, £16, £10. Phone (01223) 357851 or go to *tickets@fairhavensingers.org.uk***

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Shutter Island (15): 12.20pm, 3.10pm, 6pm, 8.50pm
The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo (18): Daily 2pm, 5.10pm, 8.20pm. Sat and Sun 11am.
Alice In Wonderland 3-D - Digital Presentation (PG): Daily 12pm, 2pm, 2.30pm, 4.30pm, 6.10pm, 7.00pm, 8.30pm, 9.30pm. Daily except Fri 1pm, 3.30pm. Sat and Sun 10.30am, 11.30 (S) Sun 12pm, Mon 6.10pm
Alice In Wonderland (PG): Daily 12.30pm, 3pm, 5.30pm, 8.pm. Sat and Sun 10am.
The Crazies (15): Daily except Wed and Thur 4.20pm, 6.50pm, 9.20pm. Fri, Mon and Tue 12pm, 2.10pm
The Lovely Bones (12A): Daily except Mon, Wed and Thu 8.45pm, daily except Wed and Thu 6pm, Fri, Mon and Tue 12.10pm and 3pm
Percy Jackson & The Lightning Thief (PG): Sat 3pm, Sat and Sun 12.10pm
The Princess And The Frog (U): Sat and Sun 12.15pm, 2.20pm, Sun 10.10am
Avatar 3-D - Digital Presentation (12A): Daily 5.pm, 8.15pm
(PG): Sat 10.00am
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From Paris With Love (15): Fri-Tues 12.10pm, 2.20pm, 4.40pm, 7.10pm, 9.20pm, Fri and Sat 11.50pm
The Lovely Bones (12A): Daily 2.30pm, 5.30pm, 8.40pm, daily except Sat and Sun 11.30am, Fri, Sat and Wed 11.35pm
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Percy Jackson And The Lightning Thief (PG): Sat and Sun Only 10.40am, 1.20pm
The Princess And The Frog (U): Sat and Sun Only 9.40am, 2.pm
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Alice In Wonderland 3D (PG): Daily 1.20pm, 3.40pm, 6pm, 8.30pm, daily except Wed 11am, Fri and Sat 11pm
A Single Man (12A): Tue 11.15am, Fri, Mon and Tue 12pm
Exit Through The Gift Shop (15): Sat 1pm, Tue 3.30pm
Kids Club: Happy Feet (U): Sat 11am
Double Bill: Cape Fear/ Casino (18): Sun 11am
Picturehouse Docs: Dirty Oil (PG): 6.30pm
U3A: The Damned United (15): 1.30pm
CFC: King Coal: A Century of Coal Mining on Film (PG): 1pm
Repertory: El Topo (18): 5pm

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Hachi - A Dog's Tale (U): Daily 4.20pm, 6.35pm, 8.50pm, Sat and Sun 11.10am, 1.50pm
Alice In Wonderland 3-D - Digital Presentation (PG): Daily 2pm, 4.30pm, 7pm, 9.30pm, Sat and Sun 11.30am
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## The big film

**ALICE IN WONDERLAND (PG, 108 mins) Family. Mia Wasikowska, Johnny Depp, Helena Bonham Carter, Anne Hathaway, Crispin Glover, Matt Lucas, Leo Bill, and the voices of Michael Sheen, Alan Rickman, Barbara Windsor, Christopher Lee and Stephen Fry. Director: Tim Burton.**

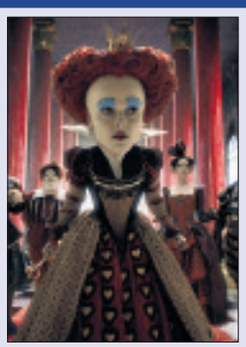
COMBINING a unique aesthetic, conjured from his twisted imagination, with dark humour and heartfelt emotion, Tim Burton has remained a visionary in a sea of profit-driven conformity.

His opening two chapters of the Batman franchise pushed boundaries in mainstream box office fare, leading to the introduction of the 12A certificate in the UK.

*Beetlejuice, Edward Scissorhands* and *Sleepy Hollow* plumbed the grimy depths of the human condition, with tongue planted firmly in cheek, while more recently, Burton put his distinctive spin on *Charlie And The Chocolate Factory* and *Sweeney Todd*.

Johnny Depp has been a regular collaborator during the past two decades, and the Oscar-nominated actor gets top billing in this wild re-imagining of the books of Lewis Carroll.

Based on a screenplay by Linda Woolverton (*The Lion King*), Burton's descent down the rabbit hole is a characteristically eye-catching and quixotic journey of self-discovery in a world where anything can happen.



Fans of the director's earlier work will recognise his thumbprints on the grotesque character design, and the colourful sets, many of which are rendered digitally.

However, the action-oriented narrative owes a lot to *The Golden Compass* and the *Narnia* films in terms of the imagery and plot developments.

The film opens with rebellious 19-year-old heroine (Wasikowska) faced with a most unexpected marriage proposal from bumbling twit, Hamish Ascot (Bill).

Fleeing the public proposal to clear her head, Alice chases a White Rabbit (voiced by Sheen) down a hole, and reunites with old friends the Mad Hatter (Depp), Tweedledee and Tweedledum (Lucas), Absolem the Caterpillar (voiced by Rickman), The Dormouse (Windsor) and The Cheshire Cat (Fry), who she cannot remember from her earlier visit to Wonderland.

Alice learns she is destined to slay the fearsome Jabberwocky (Christopher Lee), owned by the decapitation-happy Red Queen (Bonham Carter).

*Alice In Wonderland* screens in 3D in selected cinemas and the technology works best at the beginning of the film, when Alice tumbles down the hole and objects fly at the screen, although Burton's vision loses very little in traditional 2D.

Bonham Carter is a delight as the maniacal monarch, who employs swine as footstools: "I love a warm pig belly for my aching feet!"

The framing device of the marriage proposal robs the film of any sense of urgency – how can Alice be harmed when she has to return to the world above to give Hamish her answer?

# Mix it up with fruit and veg in the flower beds

by Hannah Stephenson

For many years, vegetables were not considered an ornamental addition to the garden, and veg plots were often hidden out of sight or at least as far away as possible from prized flowering beds and borders.

However, that's all changing, as many gardeners with limited space plant vegetables among border perennials, filling gaps with leafy lettuces, bronze fennel and wild strawberries rather than conventional bedding.

Vegetables can be easily combined in the flower garden, says *Gardeners' World* regular Alys Fowler, presenter of a forthcoming new BBC2 series, *The Edible Garden*, and author of the accompanying book.

In her own 20ft by 50ft garden in Birmingham, Alys mixes veg with flowers throughout her borders, placing salvias next to tomatoes, broad beans and pink-flowering strawberries beside aquilegia, and makes bold statements with structural globe artichokes, rhubarb and courgettes.

"Lettuces can be the most attractive leaves in the world," she says, citing varieties including 'Cos Freckles' (Cos green with crimson splotches), 'Mascara' (dark red), 'Australian Yellow Leaf' (bright green-yellow frilly leaves) and 'Grenoble Red' as just a few of the varieties which are as ornamental as they are tasty.

Even if you only have a tiny space on your patio for a couple of pots, or just a window box, you can grow veg alongside flowers without it looking like a dog's dinner, she insists.

"In a window box, you can grow veg which don't have a long root run, such as lettuces, alongside violas, pansies, calendula, dwarf varieties of nasturtium and herbs such as thyme."

And, it's not just the veg that can be harvested. Pick off the flowers of violas and nasturtiums to make a colourful addition to salads, and they are also ideal for decorating chocolate cakes.

"Edible flowers such as violas and pansies are cheap and will pretty much flower all through the season," she says.

"Herb flowers, such as chives, sage or rosemary, can be added to oils and vinegars to offer a subtle flavour and enhance their appearance."

Ideally, to combine veg with flowers in a limited space like a container, make sure the container is at least eight inches deep, otherwise what little soil you have in there is going to dry out quickly, she advises.

"In a really shallow windowbox you'll need to water regularly and feed at least once a week with something like a liquid seaweed feed, because you are asking quite a lot of the plants.

"Lettuces, rocket and radishes are good for window boxes as they don't need much root run, while basil or thyme are suitable for really sunny spots.

"Traditional strawberries also like a lot of sun."

However, you're not just limited to lettuces in small containers, she notes.

"The explosion of patio veg collections from seed companies is making growing your own more appealing to more people.

"There are varieties of stumpy, more rounded carrots which don't need such deep soil, such as 'Paris Market Baron', while other veg, such as beetroot, can be grown and then harvested as baby beetroot, instead of growing them full-size."

Some tomatoes cascade happily from hanging baskets, such as 'Tumbling Tom', while small ornamental chillis, such as 'Krakatoa', are ideal in pots on patios and window ledges.

Even if you only have a tiny windowsill, alfalfa sprouts can be grown in a glass jar, or a slightly more elaborate container, in just a few days, making a delicious and healthy addition to salads and sandwiches – and looking pretty at the same time.

■ *The Edible Garden: How To Have Your Garden And Eat It*, by Alys Fowler, is published by BBC Books, priced £18.99. Available March 11.

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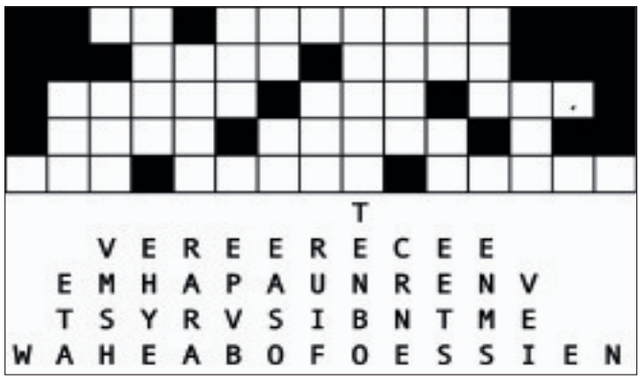


## Lost letters 4

In each of these puzzles a famous or popular quotation fills the grid. The individual letters remain in their correct column, but have fallen out and are out of order. Reinsert them in the correct order to find the answer. Any punctuation is given in its own square.

This quotation is a reflection by England captain David Beckham.

■ Last week's solution: **Don't blow your own trumpet until you can play a tune on it**

**Four Ws**

**1.** WHO...became a pillar of salt in the Book of Genesis in the Old Testament?
WHAT...type of creature is the crown-of-thorns, Acanthaster planci?
WHERE...in Africa are the Efik people found?
WHEN...did the Indonesian volcano Mount Tambora erupt, killing thousands of people?
**2.** WHO...was the eldest son of Johann Sebastian Bach?
WHAT...is an Enzedder?
WHERE...in Britain is the village of Newtown St. Boswells?
WHEN...did Steffi Graf win her last ladies' singles Grand Slam tennis title?
**3.** WHO...released the album Tales from Topographic Oceans?
WHAT...canal originally ran from Albany to Buffalo in New York State?
WHERE...in South America is the port of Talcahuano?
WHEN...was the television presenter and former footballer Gary Lineker born?
**Answers: 1.** Lot's wife; Starfish; Nigeria; 1815. **2.** Wilhelm Friedemann Bach; A New Zealander; Scottish Borders; 1999 French Open. **3.** Yes; Erie Canal; Chile; 1960.

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**Sudoku 91:**
Place a number from 1 to 9 in each empty cell so that each 3x3 block, column, and full row includes each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once.

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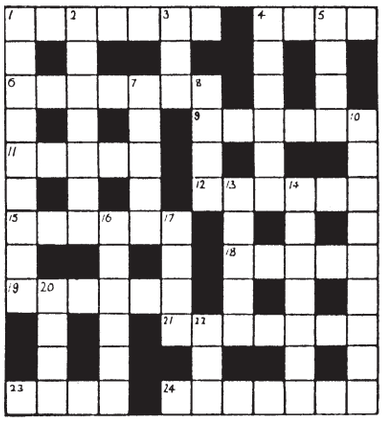
■ Last week's solution.

## Crossword 2156



### Across

1. Illustrate fish passing harbour. (7)
4. Start to tell everyone that it's high. (4)
6. Bird with no feathers, just black and white patches. (7)
9. The whole ten go mad with rage. (6)
11. Circular tour. (5)
12. The French bird pictured on thin plate. (6)
15. Inviting to like ruler. (6)
18. Squall hits duck with relish. (5)
19. One boy backs on to another at pet's home. (6)
21. Is Class One about hard plastic? (7)
23. Tots said to appear with a cutting tool. (4)
24. Stop the woman going east, the wailing woman. (7)

### Down

1. Daily News, for example, to support light novel. (7)
2. Dollar supports eggs brought by deer. (7)
3. Worry when story-teller turns up with no right. (3)
4. Piper's son appears repeatedly with drum. (3-3)
5. Dance about with a smirk. (4)
7. Keen, briefly, to visit the Forest…. (5)
8. ….there's quite a lot in wood. (4)
10. Bundle up to make speech - it's complicated. (9)
13. Cut sausage's top off in fury. (5)
14. One penny to swap, say, in Suffolk town. (7)
16. Natural to be fashionable and neat somehow. (6)
17. Game played to a T, say. (4)
20. Eat up, girl. (4)
22. Shape of an egg cut short, or eggs. (3)

**Solution to 2155: Across**: 1. Slug; 7. Preach; 8. Ache; 10. Elf; 11. Vanilla; 12. Tun; 13. Caned; 17. Idled; I9. Ode; 21. Riviera; 22. Spa; 23. Dais; 25. Gothic; 26. Barn. **Down:** 1. State; 2. Ugh; 3. Pruned; 4. Mallard; 5. Theatre; 6. Offend; 9. Even; 14. Average; 15. Elevate; 16. Corset; 17. Iberia; 18. Lead; 20 Risen; 24. Ada.

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## 10yrs Celebration at Bartram Associates Ltd

To celebrate the retirement of Margaret Sammons after 10 years of working for Bartrams Homecare, other carers and staff with over 10 years service were also invited to the meal and presentation as a thank you from the company. The photo shows Margaret presented with a bouquet and thank you card on the evening by the Managing Director, Arthur Bartram surrounded by some of the other carers and staff.

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# SATURDAY

## BBC1

**6.00** **Breakfast.**
**9.00** **Saturday Kitchen.**
**10.10** **Formula 1: The Bahrain Grand Prix – Qualifying.** The battle for pole position in Sakhir.
**12.30** **BBC News.**
**12.45** **Football Focus.**
**1.30** **A Question of Sport.**
**2.00** **Live Six Nations Rugby Union.** Ireland v Wales (Kick-off 2.30pm).
**4.25** **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
**4.35** **Live Six Nations Rugby Union.** Scotland v England (Kick-off 5.00pm).
**7.00** **Let's Dance for Sport Relief.** It's the grand final of TV's weirdest and yet most wonderful dance competition.
**8.15** **The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins.** Game show presented by Nick Knowles.
**9.05** **Casualty.** Alice tries to comfort Adam and opts out of Dixie's hen night to invite him for dinner.
**9.55** **BBC News;** Weather.
**10.15** **Match of the Day.** Gary Lineker and guests look back on the day's Premier League fixtures.
**11.35** **The Football League Show.** Highlights from today's fixtures in the Championship, League One and League Two.
**12.50** **Friday Night with Jonathan Ross.** The host is joined by Charlotte Church, James Corden and Olympic gold medallist Amy Williams.
**1.55** **Sign Zone: Dinner with Portillo.**

## BBC2

**6.00** **CBeebies: Jakers!**
**6.20** **Clifford.**
**6.35** **Brum.**
**6.45** **Pinky Dinky Doo.**
**7.00** **CBBC: Dennis and Gnasher.**
**7.25** **Sportsround.**
**7.40** **What's New Scooby-Doo?**
**8.00** **Richard Hammond's Blast Lab.**
**8.30** **Jump Nation.**
**9.30** **Prank Patrol.**
**10.00** **Ed and Ducho's Excellent Inventions.**
**10.30** **Keep Your Enemies Close.**
**11.00** **The Slammer.**
**11.30** **My Life.**
**12.00** **BBC Switch: Greek.**
**12.45** **BBC Switch: Single, Together, Whatever.**
**1.15** **BBC Switch: The 5:19 Show.**
**1.35** **BBC Switch: The Cut.**
**2.00** **BBC Switch: Revealed.**
**2.15** **The Sky at Night.**
**2.55** **FILM: Suspicion (1941).** Alfred Hitchcock's thriller.
**4.30** **Final Score.**
**5.20** **FILM: First Knight (1995).** Arthurian adventure, starring Sean Connery.
**7.30** **Dad's Army.**
**8.00** **Requiem for Detroit.**
**9.15** **QI XL.**
**10.00** **Heroes.**
**10.40** **Motor City's Burning: Detroit from Motown to the Stooges.**
**11.40** **FILM: Gridlock'd (1997).** Comedy drama, with Tupac Shakur and Tim Roth.
**1.10** **Motown: A Culture Show Special.**

## ITV

**6.00** **GMTV.**
**9.25** **CITV: Horrid Henry.**
**9.40** **Emu.**
**9.55** **Tricky Quickies.**
**10.00** **The Crocodile Hunter Diaries.**
**10.30** **Lion Country.**
**11.00** **Dickinson's Real Deal.**
**12.00** **News and Weather.**
**12.09** **Anglia Weather.**
**12.10** **Michael Winner's Dining Stars.**
**1.10** **FILM: Murder, She Wrote: The Last Free Man (2001).** Detective drama, starring Angela Lansbury.
**2.50** **Midsomer Murders.**
**4.50** **FILM: Mr Bean's Holiday (2007).** Premiere. The bumbling fool wins a trip to France. Comedy, with Rowan Atkinson.
**6.30** **Anglia News and Weather.**
**6.40** **ITV News and Weather.**
**7.00** **New You've Been Framed!**
**7.30** **Harry Hill's TV Burp.**
**8.00** **Ant & Dec's Push the Button.** The duo invites two families to compete against each other for a large cash prize.
**9.00** **Piers Morgan's Life Stories.** Pop star-turned-soap star Kym Marsh to give an insight into her life and career.
**10.00** **FILM: Troy (2004).** Wolfgang Petersen's adventure inspired by Homer's epic poem the Iliad, with Brad Pitt and Eric Bana.
**11.30** **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
**11.45** **FILM: Troy (2004).** Concluded.
**1.05** **FILM: Timecop: The Berlin Decision (2003)** Sci-fi thriller sequel, starring Jason Scott Lee.

## CHANNEL 4

**6.10** **The Hoobs.**
**6.35** **Yo Gabba Gabba.**
**7.00** **World Sport.**
**7.30** **Road to the 2010 FIFA World Cup.**
**8.00** **The Morning Line.**
**8.55** **T4: Friends.**
**9.25** **T4: Friends.**
**9.55** **T4: Glee.**
**10.50** **T4: Diversity's Dance Masterclass: Top 20.**
**11.55** **T4: Ultimate Traveller.**
**1.00** **T4: Smallville.**
**1.55** **Channel 4 Racing from Sandown Park and Wolverhampton.**
**3.55** **Three Hungry Boys.** The marine biologists spend a night on an island.
**4.25** **Come Dine with Me Extra Portions.**
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**5.25** **Come Dine with Me Extra Portions.**
**6.00** **Come Dine with Me Extra Portions.**
**6.30** **Channel 4 News.**
**7.00** **FILM: Stardust (2007).** Fantasy adventure, starring Charlie Cox and Claire Danes, while Ian McKellen narrates.
**9.25** **FILM: In Her Shoes (2005).** Curtis Hanson's comedy drama, based on a novel by Jennifer Weiner, starring Cameron Diaz.
**11.55** **Alan Carr: Chatty Man.**
**12.45** **FILM: City of God (2003).** Brazilian crime drama, starring Alexandre Rodrigues.

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**6.00** **Sunrise.**
**7.00** **Milkshake!: Elmo's World.**
**7.15** **The WotWots.**
**7.30** **Milkshake Monkey.**
**7.35** **Chiro.**
**7.40** **Make Way for Noddy.**
**7.55** **Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures.**
**8.00** **Hana's Helpline.**
**8.15** **Mist: Sheepdog Tales.**
**8.30** **The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky.**
**8.50** **Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs.**
**9.05** **Olivia.**
**9.15** **The Mr Men Show.**
**9.30** **Gerald McBoing Boing.**
**10.00** **UEFA Europa League Football.**
**11.00** **The Gadget Show.**
**12.00** **Megastructures: 747 Demolition.**
**1.05** **Chinese Food in Minutes.**
**1.35** **FILM: The King and I (1999).** Musical animation, with the voice of Miranda Richardson.
**3.10** **FILM: Man of the House (1995).** Disney comedy, starring Chevy Chase.
**5.15** **Five News.**
**5.20** **FILM: Battle of the Bulge (1965).** World War Two drama, starring Robert Shaw.
**8.00** **NCIS.**
**9.00** **CSI: NY.**
**10.00** **Law & Order.** A man is killed shortly before he was due to switch off his incapacitated wife's life support.
**11.00** **CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.**
**12.00** **SuperCasino.**

**Victoria: A Royal Love Story**
BBC1, Sunday, 7pm

**Mr Bean's Holiday**
ITV, Saturday, 4.50pm

**Snakes on a Plane**
Channel Four, Sunday, 9pm

**Law & Order**
five, Saturday, 10pm

# SUNDAY

## BBC1

**6.00** **Breakfast.**
**7.35** **Match of the Day.**
**9.00** **The Andrew Marr Show.**
**10.00** **The Big Questions.**
**11.00** **BBC News;** Weather.
**11.10** **Formula 1: The Bahrain Grand Prix Live.** The opening race of the season (Start-time 12.00pm).
**2.15** **The Politics Show.**
**3.30** **Cash in the Celebrity Attic.**
**4.15** **Murder, She Wrote.**
**5.00** **Songs of Praise.**
**5.35** **BBC News.**
**6.00** **Countryfile.** Matt Baker surfs the Severn Bore.
**7.00** **Victoria: A Royal Love Story.** To mark the opening of an exhibition at the Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace, entitled Victoria & Albert: Art & Love, Fiona Bruce traces the monarch's love story by examining artefacts from the collection.
**8.00** **Lark Rise to Candleford.** When the daughter of the local gossip falls pregnant, her mother immediately accuses Daniel of being the father.
**9.00** **Seven Ages of Britain.** David Dimbleby examines artefacts that reflect Britain's imperialist history during the 19th century.
**10.00** **BBC News.**
**10.25** **Great British Railway Journeys.**
**10.55** **FILM: The Brothers Grimm (2005)** Period fantasy adventure, starring Heath Ledger.
**12.50** **Sign Zone: Berlin.**

## BBC2

**6.00** **CBeebies: Jakers!**
**6.20** **Clifford.**
**6.35** **Brum.**
**6.45** **Pinky Dinky Doo.**
**7.00** **CBBC: Arthur.**
**7.15** **Dennis and Gnasher.**
**7.40** **The Basil Brush Show.**
**8.05** **Jinx.**
**8.30** **The Legend of Dick & Dom.**
**9.00** **Tracy Beaker Returns.**
**9.30** **Spirit Warriors.**
**10.00** **Something for the Weekend.**
**11.30** **On Thin Ice.**
**12.15** **EastEnders.** Omnibus.
**2.10** **Live Six Nations Rugby Union.** France v Italy (Kick-off 2.30pm).
**4.40** **Escape to the Country.**
**5.10** **Banded Brothers – The Mongoose Mob.** Tensions within the family rise. Last in the series.
**6.10** **Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections.**
**7.00** **Top Gear.**
**8.00** **Tropic of Cancer.** This is Simon Reeves's toughest, longest and greatest challenge yet as he takes in 18 countries.
**9.00** **Wonders of the Solar System.** Brian Cox examines the physics through which the universe was formed from a cloud of gas.
**10.00** **Match of the Day 2.**
**10.50** **FILM: Blur: No Distance Left to Run (2009).** Premiere. Documentary following the band's history.
**12.35** **Blur at Glastonbury 2009.**
**1.20** **FILM: Human Traffic (1999).** British comedy drama, starring John Simm.

## ITV

**6.00** **GMTV.**
**9.25** **CITV: Bookaboo.**
**9.40** **Horrid Henry.**
**9.55** **Tricky Quickies.**
**10.00** **Coronation Street.** Omnibus.
**12.20** **News and Weather.**
**12.29** **Anglia Weather.**
**12.30** **FILM: The Best of Benny Hill (1974).** Compilation of the comedian's sketches.
**2.10** **FILM: Columbo: Murder in Malibu (1990).** Crime drama, starring Peter Falk.
**4.10** **Agatha Christie's Poirot.**
**6.10** **Anglia News and Weather.**
**6.25** **ITV News and Weather.**
**6.40** **Harry Hill's TV Burp.**
**7.10** **Dancing on Ice.** Make sure you pack the kids off to bed, and get ready to dial as your vote for your favourite celebrity.
**8.30** **Wild at Heart.** When Du Plessis learns of Caroline's idea to buy them a retirement home he confesses to Olivia that he gave all their savings to his son.
**9.30** **Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off.**
**10.00** **ITV News and Weather.**
**10.15** **Trevor McDonald Meets David Cameron.** The broadcaster finds out more about the man who hopes to become the UK's next prime minister.
**11.15** **Piers Morgan On.**
**12.10** **Champions League Weekly.**
**12.40** **Nightwatch with Steve Scott: Emergency.**
**1.30** **FILM: Real Women Have Curves (2002).** Comedy drama, starring America Ferrera.

## CHANNEL 4

**6.00** **The Hoobs.**
**6.50** **Yo Gabba Gabba.**
**7.15** **The Great Swim Series.**
**8.10** **The Grid.**
**8.35** **Freesports on 4.**
**9.10** **T4: The Hills.**
**9.40** **T4: Friends.**
**10.10** **T4: Hollyoaks.**
**12.40** **T4: Ultimate Traveller.** The contestants spend two nights in traditional Indonesian villages.
**1.45** **T4: Friends.**
**2.45** **T4: 90210.**
**3.45** **T4: The Simpsons.**
**4.20** **T4: The Simpsons.**
**4.50** **Deal or No Deal.**
**5.35** **Glee.** Rachel develops a crush on Will.
**6.30** **Channel 4 News.**
**7.00** **Embarrassing Bodies.**
**8.00** **Celebrity Come Dine with Me.** Comedian Tom O'Connor, 'Queen of Clean' Kim Woodburn, actor Darren Day and former Brookside star Claire Sweeney compete to host the best dinner party.
**9.00** **FILM: Snakes on a Plane (2006).** An FBI agent is assigned to protect a witness in the trial of a feared crime boss. Thriller, starring Samuel L Jackson and Julianna Margulies.
**11.05** **FILM: Silent Hill (2006).** Horror, with Radha Mitchell, Sean Bean and Laurie Holden.
**1.25** **FILM: The Broken Hearts Club: A Romantic Comedy (2000).** Romantic comedy drama, starring Timothy Olyphant.

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**7.15** **The WotWots.**
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**7.50** **Fireman Sam.**
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**8.50** **Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs.**
**9.00** **Olivia.**
**9.20** **The Mr Men Show.**
**9.35** **Gerald McBoing Boing.**
**10.00** **Shake!: Hannah Montana.**
**10.35** **Wizards of Waverly Place.**
**11.10** **Build a New Life in the Country.**
**12.05** **Highland Emergency.**
**1.05** **Ice Road Truckers.**
**2.10** **FILM: Hangman's Knot (1952).** Western, starring Randolph Scott.
**3.45** **FILM: The Cowboys (1972).** Western, starring John Wayne.
**6.05** **Five News.**
**6.10** **FILM: Jumanji (1995).** Fantasy adventure, with Robin Williams and Kirsten Dunst.
**8.15** **FILM: Joe Kidd (1972).** Western, starring Clint Eastwood, Robert Duvall and John Saxon.
**10.00** **FILM: Revolver (2005).** Guy Ritchie's crime drama, starring Jason Statham, Ray Liotta, Vincent Pastore, Terence Maynard and Andre Benjamin.
**12.15** **The Gadget Show.**
**1.15** **SuperCasino.**

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# An electric future?

## Grants to kickstart electric scene

**THE car trade has rallied in support of the recent Government's announcement confirming a subsidy of up to £5,000 towards the cost of buying an electric car.**

The announcement from the Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) means that from January 2011, motorists will be entitled to a 'Plug-In Car Grant' of up to £5,000 when buying an electric, plug-in hybrid or hydrogen fuel cell car meeting their safety, reliability, performance and warranty standards set by the Office for Low Emissions Vehicles (OLEV) in consultation with industry.

With scrappage now being phased out, the trade has identified the electric/hybrid vehicle as a source of future income and this trend has been confirmed at the Geneva Motor Show where a raft of new launches has put the electric future firmly in the spotlight.

Manufacturers backing the move include:

■ **Mitsubishi:** "Mitsubishi Motors UK customers will be in a prime position to enjoy the benefits of £5,000 off of the purchase of the multi award winning all electric i-MiEV," said a spokesperson.

■ **General Motors:** "GM applauds the Government's commitment to electric drivetrain technology and will continue to work closely with them to ensure the successful implementation of an EV infrastructure across the UK," said the firm, adding that the Chevrolet Volt and Vauxhall Ampera will be eligible for the grant when they are launched in 2012.

■ **Citroen:** The French marque has revealed an electrifying new model at the Geneva Motor Show – the sensational Survolt concept. The sleek coupe captivates the imagination with its innovative all-electric drivetrain, which delivers driving pleasure, thrills and performance – all in virtual silence.

■ **Kia:** Kia debuted its first all-electric plug-in concept car – based on the just-arrived Venga – at the Geneva Motor Show.

■ **Seat:** The Seat IBE concept car uses the zero-emissions drive of the future in a sporty and dynamic concept for urban mobility and covers the 0-60mph dash in just 9.4 seconds, with a top speed of 96mph.

Welcoming the news, RAC motoring strategist Adrian Tink said: "It's important that, despite the incredibly difficult economic situation, that developments such as these are not cast aside in spending cuts.

"Motorists need to see long-term investment in the refuelling infrastructure."

Sensational: The Citroen Survolt.

## Nissan's new Micra on way

NISSAN has unveiled the all-new Micra, the fourth generation of the iconic city car, at the 80th International Geneva Motor Show.

In Europe, a simple engine line-up sees just two engines options – both are variations on Nissan's all-new naturally aspirated HR12 1.2-litre, 3-cylinder petrol engine. Inheriting its DNA from the HR16 4-cylinder engine powering the Note and Qashqai, the new engine employs valve-timing control (VTC). Power is rated at 59kW (79bhp), while torque output is 108Nm. At 115g/km, CO2 emissions for this version are world-class.

In addition to the new normally aspirated engine, Nissan will also offer a supercharged 1.2-litre direct injection iteration with a start-stop system fitted as standard in Europe. These technological innovations – stop-start reduces CO2 by six per cent – combine to offer spirited performance, with outputs of 72kW (96bhp) and 142Nm of torque. Emissions will be just 95g/km – exceptional for a petrol engine.

European sales will begin in the autumn.

Simple: The upcoming Nissan Micra.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| £12350 | £3000 | £9350 | £199.46 | £3757.50 | £199 |

Total Amount Payable £15133.90 | 12.8% APR Typical

Based on 6000 miles per annum, excess mileage charged at 3 pence per mile. Maximum Total Mileage for period 20500 miles

**Swappage Allowance £3000**

**BRAND NEW Vauxhall Astra 1.4i 16V Exclusiv 5dr**

| Cash Price | Deposit | Swappage Allowance | Amount of Credit | 41 Monthly Payments | Guaranteed Minimum Future Value | Doc & Option fee |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| £16355 | £1040 | £3000 | £12315 | £249.86 | £5258.25 | £199 |

Total Amount Payable £19940.51 | 12% APR Typical

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**Swappage Allowance £3000**

If you drive a car over 7 years old, then swap it and get at least £3000 towards the price of a new Vauxhall.

**59 Reg Vauxhall Astra 1.6i 16V SXi 5dr**

Delivery Miles, MRRP £18,670

| Cash Price | Deposit | Amount of Credit | 36 Monthly Payments |
|---|---|---|---|
| £11995 | £2465 | £9530 | £199.64 |

| Guaranteed Minimum Future Value | Doc & Option fee | Total Amount Payable |
|---|---|---|
| £4387.44 | £199 | £14836.76 |

13.1% APR

Based on 6000 miles per annum, excess mileage charged at 3.03 pence per mile. Maximum Total Mileage for period 19510 miles

Save £6675 against MRRP

**59 Reg Vauxhall Insignia 1.8i 16V Exclusiv 5dr**

Delivery Miles, MRRP £18,800

| Cash Price | Deposit | Amount of Credit | 36 Monthly Payments |
|---|---|---|---|
| £13595 | £3594 | £10001 | £199.97 |

| Guaranteed Minimum Future Value | Doc & Option fee | Total Amount Payable |
|---|---|---|
| £5505.90 | £199 | £16495.85 |

13% APR

Based on 8000 miles per annum, excess mileage charged at 3.96 pence per mile. Maximum Total Mileage for period 24010 miles

Save £5205 against MRRP

**59 Reg Vauxhall Zafira 1.6i Active 5dr**

Delivery Miles, MRRP £19,310

| Cash Price | Deposit | Amount of Credit | 36 Monthly Payments |
|---|---|---|---|
| £13995 | £4500 | £9495 | £199.67 |

| Guaranteed Minimum Future Value | Doc & Option fee | Total Amount Payable |
|---|---|---|
| £4822.84 | £199 | £16709.29 |

13.2% APR

Based on 8000 miles per annum, excess mileage charged at 3.48 pence per mile. Maximum Total Mileage for period 24010 miles

Save £5315 against MRRP

**59 Reg Vauxhall Corsa 1.0i 12V 3dr**

Delivery Miles, MRRP £11925

| Cash Price | Deposit | Amount of Credit | 36 Monthly Payments |
|---|---|---|---|
| £7995 | £2335 | £5660 | £99.90 |

| Guaranteed Minimum Future Value | Doc & Option fee | Total Amount Payable |
|---|---|---|
| £3662.80 | £199 | £9892.30 |

14.3% APR

Based on 6000 miles per annum, excess mileage charged at 2.70 pence per mile. Maximum Total Mileage for period 18010 miles

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# Marshall Jaguar team delighted at dealership win

STAFF at Marshall Jaguar in Cambridge are celebrating after being named as "Best Dealership" at a prestigious industry award ceremony.

The Newmarket Road site walked away with the title at the AM Awards 2010 at the ICC in Birmingham.

Judging criteria included overall dealership operation as well as customer satisfaction and mystery shops.

However, the dealership is no stranger to success as it won the same award in 2005 and also has a number of manufacturer accolades to its name.

Peter Muffett, general manager at Marshall Jaguar in Cambridge, said: "It was a great team effort and my thanks go to everyone at the dealership for their hard work and commitment, as well as our customers.

"However, we will not rest on our laurels and will continually strive to offer a first-class service to all our customers ensuring a loyalty to the Jaguar brand. And this year will be particularly exciting as we welcome the all-new XJ to our showroom."

Building on the success of the new XK and XF models, the introduction of the all-new XJ is a landmark for the revitalised Jaguar brand. Clearly positioned as the company's four-door flagship, it extends the appeal of the XJ to a new generation of customers.

For more information visit *www.jaguar.co.uk* or telephone Marshall Jaguar in Cambridge on (01223) 377600.

**Team effort: From left are Marshall Jaguar general manager Peter Muffett, aftersales manager David Angier and sales manager Phil Harvey.**

# Weather and potholes boost offroader sales

**WHILE the ongoing bad weather has so far failed to bring Britain totally to its knees, it is doing a good job of putting more of the country's motorists on all fours.**

The market – new and used – for compact off-roaders, crossovers, mid-sized sports utility vehicles, and large 4x4s is booming, which is good news for mud-plugger makers and retailers everywhere.

Ice and snow has turned the school and supermarket runs into challenging drives, forcing more and more drivers into considering an off-roader as their next new, or second-hand, vehicle buy.

This is backed by the car valuation experts at Glass's Guide, which is used by much of the UK's motor trade for trade-in-deal decisions, whose latest poll reveals that more than a quarter of buyers are more likely to purchase an SUV, or other all-wheel drive vehicle, as a result of this winter's horrendous weather.

The Glass's survey showed that 29 per cent of motorists would now be more likely to consider buying a four-wheel-drive model, which is better equipped to handle the slippery, badly potholed roads currently prevalent in Britain.

Used car website Carmony.co.uk supports this, and reports that, after the first heavy snows struck, almost 70 per cent of all its searches were for 4x4 vehicles – that's more than a three-fold increase compared with December.

"We've seen a dramatic rise in consumers looking for a used 4x4," says Paul Coleman, the website's managing director. "After Britain's worst snow for 50 years, it seems off-roaders have suddenly become the vehicle of choice for many drivers."

That will be good news for Jeep, which is putting the emphasis firmly on unbeatable value in the newly-announced 2010 Patriot range.

The chunky, highly capable Patriot, with its proven 2.0-litre diesel and 2.4-litre petrol engines, is a bargain buy, with the revamped five-model range costing from just £13,995.

It is on sale now, and this Jeep has both the off-road pedigree, and a muscular look, to do good business with customers who want a toughie that can deliver when taken off the beaten track. The Jeep Cherokee has also just been updated, with prices from £31,450.

**Nice price: The Jeep Patriot.**

Hyundai is pitching in against premium crossover rivals with its new ix35, which goes on sale in the UK on March 25, pricing the newcomer from £16,495 to £20,495.

The best-selling ix35s will centre around the firm's 2.0-litre diesel engine, and new 1.6-litre petrol and 1.7-litre diesel units will join the range this autumn.

Watch out, too, for Mitsubishi's new ASX compact crossover which arrives in Britain in late spring – among its choice of powerplants will be a highly sought-after 1.8-litre turbo diesel.

Finally, if it must be a bigger 4x4, then await the April launch of Nissan's revamped Pathfinder, which arrives here with a tough new look at the same time as the new-look Navara pick-up truck. Prices are due soon.

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# New Porsche Cayenne unveiled at Show

THE new generation Porsche Cayenne made its world debut at the Geneva Motor Show last week. Each model in the Cayenne range is a trend-setter in terms of efficiency and output and, compared with the former models, offers an increase in fuel economy of up to 23 per cent with more performance.

The highlight of the new line-up is the technically sophisticated parallel full hybrid drivetrain which combines the sporting performance of an eight-cylinder with the economy of a six-cylinder and a unique 'sailing mode' for even lower fuel consumption.

No less than three of the five versions of the new Cayenne consume less than ten litres of fuel per 100km in the New European Driving Cycle, and two models emit fewer than 200 grams of CO2 per km.

The Cayenne range starts with the 3.6-litre V6 petrol-engined Cayenne. Power has risen to 300bhp, but fuel consumption has dropped by a fifth – in conjunction with the eight-speed Tiptronic S automatic transmission – to 28.5mpg Combined.

At 193g/km, the top of the range Cayenne S Hybrid is not only the cleanest version of the Cayenne with the lowest level of emissions, but also the cleanest Porsche throughout the Company's entire portfolio. The Cayenne S Hybrid features a 333bhp drive-train that returns fuel consumption of 34.4mpg Combined and CO2 emissions of 193g/km.

Greater efficiency is also an attribute of the Cayenne Turbo, with its 500bhp twin-turbocharged 4.8-litre V8 returning 27.6mpg Combined in the New European Driving Cycle. This is once again 23 per cent less than its predecessor.

The new generation Cayenne goes on sale in the UK on May 29 with prices starting at £41,404 and peaking at £81,589.

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# England's World Cup bid backed by Fiat

FIAT kicks off a busy March with news of another high-profile fleet tie-up – this time with the Football Association.

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**Bravo! From left are Sean McAuliffe, head of business development at the Football Association; Ian Watmore, the FA's ceo; Andrew Humberstone, managing director of Fiat UK and Paolo Lo Monaco, Fiat's finance and business development director.**

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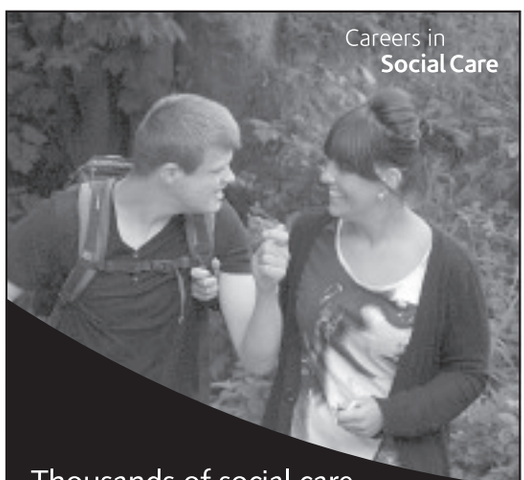


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## » Angling

Top rod: Allan Archer

# Archer is the star turn at Headfen

ALLAN Archer led the way as Headfen shot down Haverhill and Hoskings Haulers in their three-team clash in the first round of the Supercup.

On their own patch at Headfen Lakes Fishery, the victors had competitors in the top three positions on both Snake Lake and Trev's Lake.

Archer reeled in 30lb of carp with the help of maggots and hemp on Snake Lake, while Dave Rodwell took carp, chub and skimmers for 15-2 and first place on Trev's Lake at the Little Downham complex.

Saturday's open match was Millview Tackle's Gary Burton as he got his hands on 20 carp totalling 44-4.

**Details – Supercup: Snake Lake:** 1 Allan Archer (Headfen) 30lb, 2 Lennie Stevens (Hoskings) 20lb 8oz. **Trev's Lake:** 1 Dave Rodwell (Headfen) 15-2, 2 Steve Jackson (Headfen) 9-7. **Teams:** 1 Headfen 17pts, 2 Hoskings 19, 3 Haverhill 21. **Open:** 1 Gary Burton (Millview Tackle) 44-4, 2 Bob Coulson (Suffolk's Finest) 42-10.

## » Youth football round-up

# Bishop, Seymour win it for Greens

**Soham Town Youth 2**
**Isleham Youth 0**
CAMBRIDGE & DIST COLTS LEAGUE, KNOCKOUT CUP, UNDER-17 FIRST ROUND

A BATTLING local derby saw Town move through to the second round.

In the first half, Soham tried to play some football, but were put under pressure from the visitors.

And as the half wore on Isleham had a few chances, with Charlie Wills pulling off some fine saves.

As well as pressing from the front Isleham also put in some crunching challenges.

Then a good forward move from the Greens saw Josh Nunn bring the ball down in the box and tee-up Liam Bishop, who struck the ball into the bottom corner.

As the half went on Soham lost skipper Simon Murfitt, who had to go to hospital after being injured in a challenge.

Town brought on Elliot Drewery before the break and then Josh Nunn was also injured and replaced at half time by Blake Kneeshaw.

The second half saw Isleham have a man sent off for two quick yellow cards.

With the extra space, chances began to come for Soham and both Dan Whitwell and Drewery should have extended their lead.

Then Isleham, following another incident, were reduced to nine men when a straight red card was shown.

Town pressed, and Drewery missed another good chance after rounding the keeper.

A second goal did come when when Liam Lewis nipped round the Isleham left-back and laid the ball across the box for James Seymour to run in and smash in his 20th strike of the season.

The game petered out with Town going through, with goalkeeper Wills taking the man-of-the-match accolade for a string of fine saves.

**Soham:** C Wills, T Broker, S Murfitt, A Newson, J Heaps, L Bishop, R Collins, J Seymour, D Whitwell, L Lewis, J Nunn, E Drewery, B Kneeshaw, M Rola.

**Littleport Town 3 Chatteris Town 2**
CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT COLTS LEAGUE, DIVISION 15B

PORT were fortunate to come away with all three points from a match in which the visitors played the better football, but could not turn their chances into goals.

Chatteris took an early lead with a cool finish, before Tom Beresford guided the ball home to make it 1-1.

Chatteris again stepped up their play, with a quick corner finding the head of a striker to regain their advantage.

The second half was better for Port, who levelled when Alister Musa got the ball on the edge of the box, turned and shot past the keeper.

With the game heading for a draw, Musa again fired home to seal a win that keeps Port in the race for the title.

**Witchford Colts 3**
**Hardwick Harriers 2**
CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT COLTS LEAGUE U13 KNOCKOUT CUP, SEMI-FINAL

IN an evenly-matched encounter, Colts moved up a gear after Harriers had gone ahead.

Tommy Corlito and man of the match Nat Saeng Arun saw their shots go wide, and Connor Meads also went close.

Despite their efforts, Hardwick scored a second and were denied further scores by keeper Brandon Phillips.

Corlito's corner was converted by Meads to pull one back for the home side.

After half time, Corlito struck to draw things level following a corner.

Witchford's winner came when another Corlito flag kick was headed firmly home by Saeng Arun.

**Witchford:** B Phillips, N Saeng Arun, E Bowles, H Lawrence, D Stead, A Hewitt, T Corlito, D Mayle, S Saberton, J Murfitt, C Meads.

**Ely Crusaders 12 Stretham Sporting 0**
CAMBS MINI LEAGUE, DIVISION 11B

CRUSADERS bounced back from the previous week's loss as they dominated against Stretham.

Goals by Jordan Marston, Anthony Riches, James Barrett and Lewis Hook gave them a four-goal half-time lead.

The second brought goals at regular intervals from Riches (4), Sam Felton, Thomas Funnell, Hook and Jay Spittles.

**Crusaders:** J Barrett, J Butler, S Felton, E Frodsham, T Funnell, L Hook, H Jones, G Leech, J Marston, S Pettit, A Riches, J Spittles.

**Haddenham Rovers 4 Arbury Ace 2**
BM KEMPTON 9V9 U11 YOUTH LEAGUE, DIVISION A

HADDENHAM moved into top spot with this win over third-placed Aces.

Rovers went ahead on 12 minutes, through Josh Akinwumi, and an own goal soon made it 2-0.

Arbury pulled one back, but Jake Alsop regained the two-goal lead.

Aces came back 3-2 with a speculative shot, before Matt Wright popped up to tap in from close range to make the final score 4-2.

**Haddenham:** W Darlington, C Tunnell, C Augustus, J Alsop, K Petty, J Lowe,J Alsop, M Wright, J Akinwumi, O Johnson.

**Mepal Sports 3 Stretham Sporting 0**
CAMBS MINI LEAGUE, DIVISION 9E

BEN Harnwell gave Mepal an early lead and then added a second through Elliot Martin.

Good defending kept Stretham at bay until Tom Goodjohn popped late on to make the game safe for Mepal.

**Mepal Sport:** B Blackburn, J Booy-Howlett, J Collins, T Goodjohn, B Harnwell, S Jarvis, L Knightley, R Lawrence, A Makinson, E Martin, B Topping, M Turner.

# Keane treble earns draw

**Newmarket Tn 4**
**Littleport Tn 4**
CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT COLTS LEAGUE, DIV 12D

LITTLEPORT struggled to settle and found themselves picking the ball out of the net three times before they achieved a breakthrough, with Alfie Oakman outwitting the offside game Newmarket were playing to score.

Newmarket scored again, making it 4-1, before Littleport began to take command of the game with Matt Lucas and Tyler Hines breaking up Newmarket's attack with some excellent defending.

Keane Whittaker scored the next two, the second of which was a thunderbolt that gave the keeper little chance, finishing the half at 4-3.

Littleport were far the better team in the second half, with Bailey Yearn hitting a long ball upfield for Whittaker to score and notch up another hat-trick. Ethan Cornwall, Josh Lucas and Ollie Jennings held firm in midfield, but Port had to settle for the draw.

## » Speedway

# Tigers' fans craving honours

A HUNGER to bring silverware back to Mildenhall was the overriding message from the club's packed fans' forum at the weekend.

Team spirit was already evident as the youthful side met the Fen Tigers supporters for the first time ahead of their opening fixture against Team Viking next month.

And the winning mentality was put across no better than British Under-18 champion Jerran Hart, who said: "This year I'm going for the Under-21 title and to qualify for the World Under-21s too.

"We have got a brilliant team and, hopefully, we can emulate Bournemouth (with whom he won the league and cup double)."

Hart will miss six meetings for the Fen Tigers because of Premier League commitments, but the club can bring in a top-line guest up to his 8.91 average when he is unavailable.

Co-chairman John Adams, who is still in negotiations with the BSPA to move the date of the Four-Team Tournament to allow Hart to ride, insisted the club are abiding by the National League ethos of developing riders.

He said: "We've kept the bulk of the team together, with a couple of new faces, and they've all been picked because they will do an excellent job.

"Every promoter should have the foresight to develop riders, and with our Academy set-up, those boys are our starting point."

The Nikko Racing-backed Academy quartet, who will race a series of mini-meetings after Fen Tigers fixtures, were unveiled as Adam Kirby (capt), Adam Portwood, Sam Woods and Niall Strudwick.

The Fen Tigers begin the new season with an international challenge against Team Viking on April 4 and have named their riding order as: 1 Jerran Hart, 2 Oliver Rayson, 3 Matt Bates, 4 Luke Priest, 5 Barrie Evans, 6 Joe Jacobs, 7 Nick Laurence.

» Hockey

# Hugo bags brace in convincing league victory

ELY entertained Ipswich on Saturday without regular players Tim Reynolds and George Bullock due to other commitments.

However, utility players Julian Palmer and Robert Radcliffe stepped up to fill the breach and gave top-class performances.

**Ely City 4**
**Ipswich III 0**
NE14 EAST LEAGUE, DIVISION 2N

Ely struggled to test the experienced Ipswich stopper in the early stages of the match and arrived at the half time interval only 1-0 up thanks to an unstoppable shot from prolific scorer Tommy Hugo. However, the pace of the game eventually took its toll on the experienced Ipswich team, and, with the endless energy of Dan Jolley and Stu Clarke at the heart of the Ely midfield, a healthy lead was opened up.

Firstly, Clarke struck following a flowing Ely passing move.

Then Hugo fired hard and high into the Ipswich net.

Ely skipper Chris Purllant finished off the scoring with a neat diving finish at the far post from a slick short-corner routine to bring the game to a close at 4-0 in Ely's favour.

Ely expect a very tough encounter when they face the long trip to Felixstowe on Saturday to face a team that have lost just one game all season and scored in excess of 100 goals Division 2N.

» Netball

# Battling Ely go down to leaders

ELY I battled extremely hard for 45 minutes on Sunday to keep tenacious, top-of-the-table Cojags at bay in their county league fixture.

Unfortunately, a few loose passes in the last quarter were all it took for Cojags to snatch the lead.

Once behind, Ely found it impossible to respond, and ultimately were beaten 38-29.

Ely are now determined to pick themselves up to win a rescheduled, weather-delayed match.

They then have just two league matches left this season and have their sights fixed on a mid-table finish.

» Bowls round-up

# Triumphant City's eyes on further silverware

Key figures: World champion Greg Harlow, whose City of Ely rink staged a fine recovery, and, inset, captain Sue Alexander, who was delighted with her team's performance.

CITY of Ely Bowls Club completed the first half of their target double last weekend when they defeated Torquay United in the final of the Egham Trophy at Desborough.

Although Ely were at full strength, captain Sue Alexander expected a tough contest against a young and very talented Torquay line-up.

With experience on their side, it appeared that Ely were the more relaxed and confident team in the early stages, and they registered 12 shots without reply over the first few ends.

The lead was extended to 22-4 with world indoor champion Greg Harlow's rink leading the way with a 10-1 scoreline.

The other rinks were much closer and Nicky Brett had his hands full with Sam Tolchard's team, while both Andy Easy and Jamie Reynolds took narrow leads.

The match became much closer as Torquay settled and they pulled back to within five shots by the completion of the eighth end.

However, events were about to turn dramatically in Ely's favour.

Harlow's rink was six shots down as the world champion came to the mat.

A few seconds later, having played a superb shot to drive the jack into the ditch, they were two shots up.

This seemed to inspire the rest of the team and, shortly after, Reynolds' rink registered six shots and Easy a further five.

Over the next few ends a narrow lead was extended to 30 shots, and with Brett managing to hold Tolchard the contest seemed to be drawing to an inevitable conclusion.

Ely's lead had grown to 46 shots at the conclusion of 18 ends and, with 12 ends still to play, Torquay decided that there was no way back and the celebrations began.

Captain Sue Alexander said: "This has been a wonderful season for the club already and to win the Egham Trophy for the third time is a great achievement.

"The team has played really well all season."

**Result:** City of Ely 89 Torquay United 43.

**Rink scores** (Ely names first): Margaret Reeder, Sarah Seymour, Andrew Ware, Andrew Easy 20, Amanda Higginbotham, Hannah Tucker, Ian Lesley, John Evans 14; Pauline Turner, Ellen Falkner, Chris Falkner, Nicky Brett 14, Terri Kennard, Julia Barnes, Craig Down, Sam Tolchard 15; Sara Matthews, Kerry Reynolds, Matt Marsden, Jamie Reynolds 25, Cassidy Lenton, Ruth Rogers, Robbie Murch, Griff Sanders 10; Kay Harlow, Sue Alexander, Ian Brown, Greg Harlow 30, Sophie Tolchard, Ann Bunclark, Mark Evans, James Webber 4.

■ Ely's men will attempt to complete the second half of the double next weekend when they face Bristol in the semi-final of the Denny Cup at Kempston.

In the other semi-final, Cyphers play Cumbria. The final will be played on the same day.

Presentation time: Roy Peacock, front centre, with his wife Madge, on his right, and his sister Hazel King on the left, who were also presented with bouquets. Behind are, from the left, Soham 1 Carpet Bowls team organisers Peter Taylor, Dave Long, Bernie Bavester, Susan Taylor, Margaret Long and the Ross Peers Sports Centre manager Carol Brannan. CP

# Bowlers make Peacock proud

ROY Peacock has been honoured for sponsoring the Premier Crops carpet bowls tournament for the past 25 years.

The tournaments have been organised by the Soham 1 Ross Peers carpet bowlers and the Ross Peers Sports Centre in Soham.

To mark the occasion and to say a thank you, Peacock was presented with a crystal glass engraved plaque by Carol Brannan, the Ross Peers Sports Centre manager, at the tournament.

A total of 35 teams of four bowlers competed for the cup over a total of 85 games during the day.

The tournament was won by a team from Eye (Peterborough), comprising Joy and George Kitchen and Derrick and Rose Meek, who defeated Folksworth in the final.

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City bowlers claim top trophy prize

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» Rowing

# Triple delight for Isle club at Cambridge

**Winning ways: The Ely women's Junior 15 quad of Anna Towriss (stroke), Emma Pencheon, Stef Boughey, Jenny Kingsmill (bow) and cox Ellen Bridges seize victory at the Cambridge Winter League.** Picture: David Boughey (CP)

ISLE of Ely Rowing Club scullers and rowers were out in force again at the weekend, competing in the third and final leg of the Cambridge Winter League Head race.

The club came away with three wins – in the women's quad, mixed double sculls and WJ14 double sculls.

After the second leg of the event in February, just two seconds separated the club's two junior quads.

At the weekend the WJ17 quad was determined to seize victory over their younger rivals and put in an aggressive performance to widen the gap to 21 seconds on this occasion, winning the women's quad category overall.

Both Ely junior quads significantly improved on their times from the previous leg of the event.

The club's WJ15 quad also showed that they were in much better form, although a full minute behind the Ely winning crew.

In the intermediate 3 mixed double sculls, married couple Andrew and Ella Turton completed the 2,800m course on the River Cam in 12min 11sec to clinch victory in their category, beating their previous time by over a minute.

The WJ14 double scull combination of Libby Milne and Nell Freeman notched up another win to continue their winning streak, completing the course in a time of 13min 4sec, a blistering two minutes faster than their previous best time. The club's other WJ14 double scull combination of Kate Every and Lydia Sandercock had a great confidence-boosting race, overtaking another crew en route to record their best time of 13min 58sec.

Other notable performances from Ely members included a wide mix of junior and senior crews.

The men's veteran D eight, which was the fastest Ely crew, romped home in a time of 11min 4sec, almost half a minute faster than in February.

And the men's pair of Mark Wilcox and Jonathan Dolby completed in the course in 12.52, despite picking up water in the boat.

Phoebe Bradbury in WJ14 single sculls was almost two minutes faster than her previous time and continued to improve her fitness levels by competing in the WJ14 quad as well as the single sculling event.

It has been confirmed that the WJ14 quad of Libby Milne, Phoebe Bradbury, Laura Sibson, Nell Freeman and cox Ellen Bridges have been selected to represent the East of England and will be competing in the Inter-Regional regatta at Nottingham on April 25.

» **Football:** Round-up of the latest news from Julius Martin Lane and the Unwin Ground

# Benjamin is happy in defeat

**Slough Town 2**
**Soham Town Rangers 0**
ZAMARETTO LEAGUE, DIVISION ONE MIDLANDS

MANAGER Ian Benjamin was pleased with the performance of his team, who ultimately left with nothing from their visit to fourth-placed Slough on Saturday.

The hosts came out of the blocks quickly and took the lead in the eighth minute, and they could have added to the score before Soham started to come back into the match.

Michael Simpson hit the bar with a header and Dubi Ogbonna hit a volley on the turn straight at the keeper.

But the hosts clinched it in the 74th minute when a Slough forward beat keeper Jamie Chamberlain to a long goal kick by his counterpart.

"It was a tough game – they are a big, strong side," said Benjamin. "The first 20 minutes, we were under the cosh and they scored in that period, but as the half wore on we started to get back in the game.

**So close: Soham's Michael Simpson, who struck the crossbar when his team visited Slough on Saturday.**

"In the second half, we were better and were in the game for long periods, but the next goal was always going to be important, and they got it.

"I was pleased with the effort from the lads. We went to one of the top sides and didn't get turned over.

"We worked hard and it was a good performance."

Saturday's defeat followed on from a thrilling 3-2 home league victory over Biggleswade Town last Tuesday.

Charles Libam put Soham in front after 16 minutes and Ogbonna doubled the advantage just before the half-hour mark.

The visitors came back in the second period, scoring three minutes after the break.

When Biggleswade levelled on the hour, it seemed as though the visitors would go away with a point.

But the Greens claimed victory three minutes from time when Scott Carter converted Josh Turner's cross.

■ The Greens are due to be in league action tonight (Thursday) when Arlesey Town will be the visitors to Julius Martin Lane, kick-off 7.45pm.

Soham are also scheduled to be at home on Saturday when they will face Romulus (3pm).

# Robins keep on bobbing along as Kessack strikes

**Woodbridge Town 0**
**Ely City 2**
RIDGEONS LEAGUE, PREMIER DIVISION

CITY continued their good run of form as a Robbie Mason penalty and a strike from Owen Kessack sealed a comfortable win on Saturday.

Mason fired the visitors in front from the spot in the first half following a handball.

Kessack, on loan from CRC, then hit a fine 25-yard shot into the top corner to double the Robins' lead and end the match as a contest.

"It was a bit of a battle," said City boss Dennis Lightning.

"We've kept our good run going. This was never going to be a pretty football match but we got the result, and that was the most important thing."

■ The Robins are due to be in league action on Saturday when Stanway Rovers will be the visitors to the Unwin Ground, kick off 3pm.

They are also scheduled to be at home on Tuesday when Felixstowe & Walton provide the opposition for a Ridgeons League, Premier Division fixture

**On target: Ely City loanee Owen Kessack.**

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